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#### PREFACE

The Chicopee River watershed has a drainage area of 721 square miles and is located in central Massachusetts. The flood control system for the watershed described in this manual consists of Barre Falls Dam in Barre, Conant Brook Dam in Monson and five local protection projects. The five local protection projects are located in Ware, West Warren, Palmer (Three Rivers), Chicopee Falls and Chicopee.

This Appendix of the Connecticut River Master Manual of Water Control includes a description of the watershed, hydrologic, climatological and flood data, together with project descriptions and regulation procedures for Corps reservoirs. In addition to setting forth a method of water control, the manual will serve as a reference source for future studies.

The manual is divided into seven chapters: Introduction, Management, Hydrometeorology, Communications, Hydrologic Forecasts, Reservoir Regulation and Hydrologic Equipment. The setup of chapters allows the reader to obtain desired general background information on any particular aspect of each project.

Pertinent data on the hydrologic information of the Chicopee River watershed, Barre Falls Dam and Conant Brook Dam are shown on pages i, ii, iii, respectively, at the front of the manual.

The chapter on reservoir regulation contains detailed procedures and information necessary for regulating the protective works to provide protection for downstream communities on the Ware, Chicopee and Connecticut Rivers.

#### CONNECTICUT RIVER BASIN

## MASTER MANUAL OF WATER CONTROL

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Master Manual	Connecticut River		Started
A	Ompompanoosuc R.	Union Village	Completed 1950 (Revised 1971)
В	Ottauquechee River	North Hartland	Completed 1969
С	Black River	North Springfield	Completed 1968
D	West River	Ball Mountain Townshend	Completed 1965 (Revised 1973)
E	Ashuelot River	Surry Mountain Otter Brook	Completed 1962 (Revised 1972)
F	Millers River	Birch Hill Tully	Completed 1950 (Revised 1974)
G	Chicopee River	Barre Falls Conant Brook	Completed 1964 (Revised 1979)
н	Westfield River	Knightville Littleville	Completed 1967 (Revised 1978)
I	Farmington River	Colebrook River Mad River Sucker Brook	Completed 1970

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Mainstem - Chicopee Rive	r		Square Miles
Chicopee River at T	hree Rivers		688
Broad Brook at	mouth		15
Twelve Mile Br	ook at mouth		14
Chicopee River at I	ndian Orchard		703
Fuller Brook a	t mouth		14
Chicopee River at m	outh		721
Tributaries			
Ware River			
East Branch			38
West Branch			16
Ware River at Barre	Falls Dam		55
Burnshirt Rive			31
Ware River at Coldb	rook (MDC Intake)		97
Prince River a			14
Ware River at Barre	Plains (Rte 32 Hwy Bridge)		115
Moose Brook at	mouth		10
Ware River at Ware			170
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	Crossing (USGS Gage)		199
	Quabbin Reservoir		186
Swift River at			216
Jabish Brook as			19
Ware River at mouth			216
Ware River at the mo	outh		435
Quaboag River			
Sevenmile River			41
Fivemile River			24
Quaboag River at Wes			96
	st Warren (W. Warren Ind. Co.)		143
Mill Brook at r			14
Chicopee Brook	at mouth		16
Conant Brook at			9
	th of Chicopee Brook		180
Quaboag River at Pal			203
Quaboag River at mo	ith		210
_	Barre Falls Dam	Chicopee River	
Precipitation	Massachusetts	@ Ware, Massachusetts	

Precipitation	Barre Falls Dam  Massachusetts  (Inches)	Chicopee River  @ Ware, Massachusetts  (Inches)	Westover Field  Massachusetts  (Inches)
Mean Annual Maximum Annual Minimum Annual Years of Record	39.4 53.6 (1975) 26.2 (1965) 18	44.7 60.0 (1955) 26.4 (1965) 49	44.9 53.4 (1955) 34.3 (1957) 22 (Discontinued after 1963)
(through 1976)			•

### (Based on Corps of Engineers Surveys 1958-1978)

		Mean	Maximum	Minimum
		(inches)	(inches)	(inches)
1	February	2,2	4.6	0.0
15	February	2.9	6.2	0.0
1	March	3.1	6.4	0.0
15	March	2.7	6.1	0.0
1	April	1.2	4.1	0.0
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USGS GAGES	Drainage Area (sq. mi.)	Tributary	Period of Record
Ware River near Barre	55.0	Ware	1946 - Present
Ware River at Coldbrook	96.8	Ware	1928 - Present
Ware River at Gibbs Crossing	199.9	Ware	1912 - Present
Hop Brook near New Salem	3.4	Swift	1947 - Present
E. Branch Swift River near Hardwick	43.7	Swift	1937 - Present
Swift River at West Ware	188.0	Swift	1910 - Present
Sevenmile River near Spencer	8.6	Quaboag	1960 - Present
Quaboag River at West Brimfield	151.0	Quaboag	1909 - Present
Chicopee River at Indian Orchard	<b>68</b> 8.0	Chicopee	1939 - Present
Chicopee River at Bircham Bend	703.0	Chicopee	1928 - 1938

#### PEAK FLOWS

	icopee River a an Orchard, Ma				Swift River at Ware, Mass.	90.00
Date	CFS	CSM		Date	CFS	_CSM_
21 Sep 1938	45,200	66	. 19	Mar 1936	7,590	40
19 Aug 1955	40,500	59		Sep 1938	5.540	29
19 Mar 1936	20.400	30				

	uaboag River at Brimfield, Mass			<u>a</u>	Ware River t Gibbs Crossing	, Mass.
Date	CFS	CSM		Date	CFS	CSM
19 Aug 1955	12,800	85	21	Sep 193	8 22,700	114
21 Sep 1938	8,470	56			5 12,200	61
-19 Mar 1936 -	3-620	2-4				

#### ANNUAL RUNOFF\*

Chicopee River nr		Quaboag River nr				
Indian Orchard, Mass.		W. Brimfield, Mass.				
	CFS	Inches	Year	CFS	Inches	<u>Year</u>
Mean	901	18	(50 yrs)	241	22	(65 yrs)
Maximum	1952	39	1966	430	39	1938
Minimum	376	7.5	1938	104	9.4	1930, 65

Swift River nr Ware, Mass.				Ware River n Gibbs Crossi	_	
	CFS	Inches	<u>Year</u>	CFS	Inches	Year
Mean Maximum Minimum	188 497 31	14 36 2.3	(65 yrs) 1938 1945	288 581 105	20 40 7.2	(66 yrs) 1938 1965

\*Through Water Year 1977

#### FLOOD ROUTING COEFFICIENTS

Routing Coefficient	River Miles Between Points
3/1 - 3 hr.	4.2
3/1	3.3
5/3	17.2
3/1	8.8
4/1	28.0
3/1	10.8
3/1	7.2
	3/1 - 3 hr. 3/1 5/3 3/1 4/1 3/1

indian Orchard to Mouth of Chicopee	3/1
HIGH FLOW TRAVEL TIMES	Total Hours From Barre Falls Dam
Coldbrook Barre Plains Gibbs Crossing Three Rivers Indian Orchard Mouth of Chicopee	3-4 5-7 15-16 18-20 21 22-26

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	·	BARKE FALL	JAM		
LOCATION	Ware River; Barre	e, Massachusetts			
DRAINAGE AREA	55 Square Miles				
STORAGE USES	Flood Control				
RESERVOIR STORAGE				Ca	pacity
	Elevation (ft msl)	Stage (ft)	Area (acres)	Acre-Feet	Inches on <u>Drainage Area</u>
Inlet Elevation Spillway Crest Maximum Surcharge Top of Dam	761 807 825 830	0 46 64 69	0 1,400 2, <b>9</b> 50	0 24,000 63,000 -	0 8.z 21.5 -
EMBANKMENT FEATURES					Dikes
Type Length (feet) Top Width (feet) Top Elev. (ft msl) Max. Height (ft)	Main Dam - Rolled 885 25 830	i earth fill with	rock protection	,	3,215 (total) 15 330 48
SPILLWAY					
Location Type Crest Length (feet) Crest Elev. (ft ms1) Max. Surcharge (ft) Maximum Discharge Capacity (cfs)	Right abutment of Uncontrolled ogee 60 807 18.0	E the dam e weir, chute spil	llway in rock		
SPILLWAY DESIGN FLOOD				1973 Studies	
D 1 7 C1 (-C)	Original Design				
Peak Inflow (cfs) Peak Outflow (cfs) Volume Runoff (Ac. Ft.)	68,300' 16,300 (spil) 62,500	lwav onlv)		61,000 14,800 55,500	
OUTLET WORKS					
Type Tunnel Inside Tunnel Length (ft) Service Gate Type Size Emergency Gate Type Downstream Channel Capacity (cfs) Discharge Cap. at Spillway Crest (cfs)	Horseshoe conduit 9'8" diameter 250 Electrically open Two 4.5' wide x S None 1,000	rated gear driven	sluice		:
LAND ACQUISITION					
Guide Taking Line Fec (acres) Easement (acres)	815 ft msl (both 557 1,869	fee and easement)	)		
MAXIMUM POOL OF RECORD					
Date Stage (feet) Elevation (it msl) Percent Full	April 1960 36.5 797.9 50				
UNTE RUNOFF					
One Inch Runoff (Ac. Ft.)	2,935				
OPERATING TIME					
Open/close all gates	l foot/min				
PROJECT COST (THROUGH FY 1977)	\$1,968,000				

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DATE OF COMPLETION

MAINTAINED BY

July 1958

New England Division, Corps of Engineers

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Conant Brook; Monson, Massachusetts

DRAINAGE AREA

7.8 Square Miles

STORAGE USES

Flood Control

RESERVOIR STORAGE				Сара	ıcity
	Elevation (ft, msl)	Stage (ft)	Area (acres)	Acre-Feet	Inches on Drainage Area
Invert	694	0	0	0	0
Spillway Crest	757	63	158	3,740	9.0
Maximum Surcharge	766	72	216	5,400	13.0
Top of Dam	771	77	-	-	-

#### **EMBANKMENT FEATURES**

Earth w/rockfill slope protection Type Length 1,050 Top Width (feet) 20 Top Elevation (ft msl) 771 85 Maximum Height (feet) 340,000 Volume (cubic yards) Dike

One - 5,600 feet northeast of Dam; 980 feet long by 14 feet high

#### SPILLWAY

Right abutment Location

Ogee weir, chute spillway Type

Crest Length 100 feet Crest Elevation 757 feet msl 766 feet ms1 Surcharge Elevation

#### SPILLWAY DESIGN FLOOD

#### Original Design

11,900 Peak Inflow (cfs) Peak Outflow (cfs) 10,750 Volume Runoff (acre-feet) 9,650

#### OUTLET WORKS

Type Circular conduit 36 inches Tunnel Diameter 405 Tunnel Length (feet) Service Gate, Type None Downstream Channel Capacity 225 cfs 225 cfs Discharge at Spillway Crest

#### LAND ACQUISITION

Fee Elevation (ft msl) 762 Fee (acres) 456 Easement (acres)

#### MAXIMUM POOL OF RECORD

Feb. 1970 Date Stage (feet) 18 Elevation (ft ms1) 712 Percent Full 7

#### UNIT RUNOFF

416 acre feet One inch runoff

\$2,950,000 PROJECT COST (THROUGH FY 77)

DATE OF COMPLETION 1966

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#### MANUAL OF WATER CONTROL CHICOPEE RIVER WATERSHED MASSACHUSETTS

#### CHAPTER I

#### INTRODUCTION

#### 1. REGULATION MANUAL

- a. Authorization. This report is prepared pursuant to authority contained in ER 1110-2-240, dated 22 April 1970, Reservoir Regulation and EM 1110-2-3600, dated 25 May 1959, which requires that manuals of reservoir regulation for flood control, navigation or multipurpose reservoirs be prepared whenever storage allocated to one or more of the functions is the responsibility of the Corps of Engineers. Requirements given in the draft of "A Guide for Preparing Water Control Manuals for Lakes, Reservoirs, Locks and Dams, Hurricane Barriers, Reregulating Structures, Controlled Channels and Floodways, Office, Chief of Engineers," January 1973 were followed in the preparation of this manual.
- b. <u>Purpose and Scope</u>. This manual will serve as a guide and reference source for higher authority, reservoir regulation and maintenance personnel in the New England Division Office, respective project managers and other personnel who may become concerned with, or responsible for, regulation of the reservoirs in the Chicopee River watershed. Included in the manual are the following chapters:
- (1) <u>Introduction</u>. A brief history of flood problems and studies which led to the authorization of the Chicopee River watershed flood control projects, including statistical data relative to population, industry and agriculture, and a description of the physical features of all Corps projects, Soil Conservation Service projects, and signficant non-Federal projects.
- (2) <u>Management</u>. A general description of the functional responsibilities of the Corps in regard to regulation of the projects, with a listing of all interagency coordinating agreements.
- (3) Hydrometeorology. A general description of the watershed and major tributaries, including topographic features and a general coverage of the hydrologic and meteorologic data, i.e., temperature, precipitation, snowfall, snow cover, storms, streamflow and floods.

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#### MANUAL OF RESERVOIR REGULATION CHICOPEE RIVER WATERSHED MASSACHUSETTS

#### CHAPTER I

#### INTRODUCTION

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- b. <u>Purpose and Scope</u>. This manual will serve as a guide and reference source for higher authority, reservoir regulation and maintenance personnel in the New England Division Office, respective project managers and other personnel who may become concerned with, or responsible for, regulation of the reservoirs in the Chicopee River watershed. Included in the manual are the following chapters:
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#### c. Physical Components.

(1) <u>Barre Falls Dam</u>. Important project components consist of a rolled earth and rockfill dam, a rock chute-type spillway with concrete ogee weir, 3 dikes located in saddles in the rim of the reservoir, outlet works, storage capacity for flood control.

At spillway crest elevation, 807 feet msl, Barre Falls Reservoir, a dry bed reservoir, has a capacity of 24,000 acre-feet, equivalent to 8.2 inches of runoff from the contributing drainage area of 55 square miles. When filled to spillway crest, the reservoir will have a surface area of about 1400 acres.

The dam embankment, 885 feet in length and maximum height of 60 feet above streambed consists of rock and earthfill and is shown on plate G-7. The top of dam at elevation 830 feet msl provides 18 feet of spillway surcharge and 5 feet of freeboard. A top width of 25 feet accomodates a 16-foot paved access road, and the embankment slopes 1 on 2.0 on the downstream side and 1 on 2.5 on the upstream side of the dam.

There are three dikes, with a maximum height of 48 feet, which total 3,215 feet in length. These dikes constructed of rolled rockfill with an impervious fill upstream blanket, bring elevations up to 830 feet msl in three saddles along the southern rim of the reservoir.

The spillway is located on the right abutment adjacent to the dam. Components of the spillway include the approach channel, discharge channel and a 60 foot long concrete ogee weir with a fixed crest at elevation 807.0 feet msl (46-foot stage). Plan, profile and cross section of the spillway are shown on plate G-8.

The outlet works are in the left abutment and consist of an intake channel and a 9'-8" diameter horseshoe conduit. The conduit is 250 feet long and discharges are controlled by two 4.5 foot wide by 9.0 foot high sluice gates controlled from the control tower. Plan and sections of the outlet works are shown on plate G-7.

(2) <u>Conant Brook Dam</u>. The important physical components include a rolled earth dam and dikes, a chute spillway composed of a concrete ogee weir, outlet works, and storage capacity for flood control. The General Plan for Conant Brook Dam is shown on Plate G-9.

At spillway crest (757 feet msl) Conant Brook Reservoir, a dry bed reservoir, has a flood control storage capacity of 3,740 acre-feet, equivalent to 9.0 inches of runoff from the contributing drainage area of 7.8 square miles. When filled to spillway crest, the reservoir will have a surface area of 158 acres.

The dam embankment, about 1,050 feet in length and maximum height of 85 feet above streambed, consists of rolled earthfill with an impervious core and rock slope protection. The top of dam, elevation 771 feet, provides 9.0 feet of spillway surcharge and 5.0 feet of freeboard. The top width of 20 feet accommodates a 16-foot paved access road and the embankment slopes vary from 1 on 3.0 to 1 on 2.5.

A rolled earthfill dike, located at the north end of the reservoir, is 980 feet in length with a maximum height of 14 feet; the top of the dike is at elevation 771.

The spillway consists of an approach channel, a concrete ogee weir located on the right bank and a discharge channel. The weir has a length of 100 feet with a crest elevation of 757 feet msl. A plan and profile is shown on plate G-10.

The outlet works consist of an inlet channel, a single ungated 36-inch diameter conduit with trash rack to prevent clogging and an outlet channel. The intake channel (plate G-11) is 10 feet wide excavated in rock to elevation 694 feet msl.

#### THE PROJECT IS UNSTAFFED AND SELF REGULATING.

#### 3. HISTORY OF PROJECTS

a. <u>Authorization</u>. Barre Falls Dam and Reservoir was authorized as a project for the Chicopee River watershed in the Flood Control Act of 18 August 1941 (Public Law No. 228, 78th Congress) and 22 December 1944 (Public Law No. 534, 78th Congress).

Conant Brook Dam and Reservoir was authorized by the Flood Control Act of 1960 (House Document 434, 86th Congress 2nd Session).

- b. <u>Construction</u>. Construction on Barre Falls Dam was initiated in 1956 and completed in May 1958. Construction on Conant Brook Dam was initiated in 1964 and completed in September 1966.
- c. Corps of Engineers Local Protection Projects. There are five local protection projects in Massachusetts in the Chicopee River watershed. These projects are briefly discussed below and Table G-l includes pertinent data.
- (1) <u>Chicopee</u>. This local protection project, completed in 1958, is located in Chicopee, Massachusetts along the left bank of the Connecticut River and right bank of the Chicopee River. Primarily, it provides protection against flood stages on the Connecticut River, with backwater up the lower Chicopee River. The project consists of 21,700 feet of earth levees and 3,200 feet of concrete flood walls. The system also includes 3 stoplog structures and 5 pumping stations

with appurtenant drainage structures. The project is designed to protect against a flood discharge of 312,000 cfs which is about 15 percent greater than the March 1936 flood of record. Local interests provided the lands, right-of-way, and relocations required for the work and constructed the necessary sewerage facilities. General plans for this project are shown on plate G-12.

- (2) Chicopee Falls. This local protection project, completed in 1965, is located on the left bank of the Chicopee River in Chicopee, about 2-1/2 miles above the mouth of the river. At this point, the Chicopee River flows in a circuitous direction first, from east to west, then south, and then again in a westerly direction. The protection consists of 1,420 feet of concrete floodwalls and about 3,600 feet of earth dikes extending between the Chicopee Dam and high ground owned by the U.S. Rubber Company. Included in this improvement are three stoplog structures, two pumping stations (used to remove storm water runoff and sewage into the Chicopee River during high flows) and some channel alignment. The project is designed for a Chicopee River discharge of 70,000 cfs, which is the standard project flood modified by Barre Falls and Conant Brook Reservoirs. General plans for the local protection project are shown on plate G-13.
- (3) Three Rivers. This local protection project is located at the confluence of the Chicopee, Quaboag and Ware Rivers in Palmer, Massachusetts. Consisting of deepening and widening, the channel improvement extends along the Chicopee River for about 2800 feet from the New England Power Company to the confluence of the Chicopee, Quaboag and Ware Rivers. From this confluence, the project continues about 700 feet up the Ware and about 1400 feet up the Quaboag River. The project also includes the removal and/or construction of several appurtenant structures (i.e. bridges, dams, etc.).

Due to the channel restrictions caused by adjacent industrial buildings and bridges, it was only economically feasible to design this project for a flood of 50,000 cfs, equivalent to 72 percent of the SPF. This degree of protection is about 25 percent greater than the maximum flood of record modified by Conant Brook and Barre Falls. Additional information on the project is shown on plates G-14 and G-15.

(4) Ware. This local protection project, completed in 1959, is located in Ware on the Ware River about 21 miles northeast of Springfield and 22 miles west of Worcester, Massachusetts. The project consists of 11,800 feet of channel improvement (straightening, widening and deepening of the Ware River and lower Muddy Brook), thus providing for a greater flow of water through the town. The project also includes the construction of two dikes about 1,100 feet in length and the elimination of accumulated interior runoff by the use of portable pumps owned by the town. Protection is provided for an event

TABLE G-1
PERTINENT DATA
LOCAL PROTECTION PROJECTS
CHICOPEE RIVER WATERSHED

PROJECT LOCATION	CHICOPEE, MA.	CHICOPEE FALLS, MA.	PALMER, MA. (THREE RIVERS)	WARE, MA.	W. WARREN, MA.
RIVER	Connecticut and Chicopee Rivers	Chicopee River	Chicopee, Ware, Quaboag Rivers	Ware River and Muddy Brook	Ouaboag River
CHANNEL IMPROVEMENTS  Lenght (ft)  Bottom Width (ft)  Side Slopes	 	200 to 250	5200 80 to 200 varied	12,000 90 1 on 2	1750
DIKES Length (ft) Top Width (ft) Side Slopes	21,700	3620 15 1 on 2 & 1 on 2.5	 	1,800 18 and 4 1 on 2 & 1 on 8	60 3 1 on 1.5
FLOOD WALLS (ft)	3,200	1420		<b>_</b>	450
INTERIOR DRAINAGE	5 pumping stations, modification and addition to existing drains	2 pumping stations, modification and addition to existing drains		New flap valve and sluice gate	Modification and addition to existing drains
MISC. FEATURES	3 stoplog structures	3 stop log structures Channel widening and deepening	Channel widening and deepening		Stone slope bank protection and channel improvement
PROJECT FLOOD (cfs)	312,000	70,000	50,000	20,000 - 22,000	11,000
FLOOD OF RECORD (cfs)	272,000 (Mar. 1936)	42,500 (Sept. 1938)	35,500 (Aug 1955)	20,000-22,000(Sept 1938)	8300 (Aug 1955)
FREEBOARD (ft)	3 to 5	3		2	2.6 to 2.7
PROJECT COST(Thru FY78)	\$1,988,000	\$2,670,000	\$2,280,000	\$485,000	\$454,000
DATE STARTED	1936	1963	1964	1958	1962
DATE COMPLETED	1941	1965	1966	1959	1963
MAINTAINED BY	City of Chicopee	City of Chicopee	Comm. of Mass.	Town of Ware	Town of W. Warren

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equal to the flood of record (September 1938) of 20,000 cfs above Muddy Brook, and 22,000 cfs below the brook. The general plan and vicinity map for this project is shown on plate G-16.

(5) West Warren. This local protection project, completed in 1963, provides protection for the highly industrialized section of West Warren along the west bank of the Quaboag River.

The improvements consist of an earth and rockfill dike, concrete floodwalls, channel improvements, reconstruction of an existing bridge, and the removal of two utility bridges. The project provides protection for a standard project flood of 11,000 cfs which is 30 percent greater than the record flood of August 1955. Channel improvements include deepening, widening and clearing of the existing channel. Also, rock slope protection for the banks is provided at many points along the river.

General plans for the West Warren local protection are shown on plate G-17 and profiles are shown on plate G-18.

#### d. Soil Conservation Service Projects.

(1) General. The Soil Conservation Service (SCS) of the U.S. Department of Agriculture has constructed flood protection projects throughout New England and in the Connecticut River basin. These projects, authorized by the Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Act, Public Law 566, are associated with small watersheds up to 250,000 acres in area. Water impoundments under the act are limited to 12,500 acre-feet of flood storage and 25,000 acre-feet total storage.

SCS impoundment structures are regulated by an ungated principal spillway which is essentially an overflow weir, as shown on plate G-19. The spillway, located in the outlet structure, is generally designed so that its outflow combined with flood storage will control all events up to and including the 100-year storm. Storms in excess of this will activate an emergency spillway, which is generally a grassed earth spillway built at one or both ends of the dam and discharging downstream from the toe of the retarding structure.

(2) Quaboag River Watershed. In the Quaboag River watershed, the SCS has constructed or has prepared work plans for nine flood protection works. Pertinent data for these projects are listed in table G-2 and plate G-20 shows their locations.

#### e. Non-Federal Projects.

(1) Massachusetts Metropolitan District Commission Water Supply.

TABLE G-2 SCS PROJECTS IN THE OHABOAG RIVER MATERSHED

SCS IM	POINDMENTS									
Site	River	Orainage Area so.mi.	Flood Contro Acre/Feet	l Storage Inches		Spillway erge Capacity CSM		Capacity CSM	Storage (1) Purposes	Construction(2) Status
Magga Hill	ahaw Brank	4.7	1539	6.1	143	30	7000	1490	S,F,R	-
Horsepand	Horsepond Brook	4.1	1396	6.4	105	26	3640	770	S,F,R	С
Kistradae	Fivemile River	1.7	439	4.7	100	51	4200	2470	S,F,R	c
Rice	Trout Brook	3.4	1000	5.6	1ባጸ	32	3990	1170	S,F	-
Mead No	Sucker Brook	6.3	2358	7.0	138	22	13390	2110	S,F,R	_
Sacker	Sucker Brook	1.6	603	6.9	61	38	3380	2110	S,F	С
Limberton	Lamberton Brook	4.4	$\frac{803}{8129}$	<u>3.4</u>	268	61	7200	1640	S,F	С
	Totaí	26.2	8129	5.0						

SCS CHANNEL	IMPROVEMENT			
Site	River	Type of Improvement	Construction Status	
E. Brookfield, Mass.	E. Brockfield River	Flood Wall	С	

<sup>(1) § -</sup> Sediment, F - Flood Water, WS - Water Supply, R - Recreation (2) Construction Status : C - Constructed,

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- (a) General. Large portions of the Swift and Ware River watersheds are controlled by facilities of the Metropolitan District Commission (MDC) of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as a source of water supply for metropolitan Boston. These facilities consist of the Coldbrook Intake in the Ware River and Quabbin Reservoir in the Swift River watersheds. These projects, discussed in the following paragraphs, control about 283 square miles of drainage area in the two watersheds, and therefore have considerable impact on discharges in the Chicopee River watershed.
- (b) <u>Coldbrook Diversion</u>. The Coldbrook Diversion is situated about 4 miles downstream of Barre Falls Dam and controls 96.8 square miles of drainage area of the Ware River. The function of this structure is to normally divert water from the Ware River to Quabbin Reservoir via the Quabbin Aqueduct. Diversion from Coldbrook may also be directed to Wachusett Reservoir in Clinton, Massachusetts, 10 miles northeast of Worcester via this same aqueduct. This is not normally done however, as it is MDC's policy to store water taken from the Ware River in Quabbin Reservoir prior to being released into the MDC water supply.

The normal diversion period is 6 months (1 December to 31 May), but may be extended to 8 months (15 October to 15 June) if approved by the Massachusetts Board of Health. In addition to this restriction, MDC is required by law to allow a minimum discharge of 132 cfs to pass the Coldbrook Intake for use by downstream interests. During diversion, the minimum discharge is obtained by a siphon arrangement which automatically divides the flow into two parts, with the excess over 132 cfs being diverted. The maximum diversion capacity to Quabbin via the aquaduct is 890 cfs, and combined capacity to both Wachusetts and Quabbin Reservoirs is 2960 cfs. Discharges in both directions are accomplished entirely by gravity.

Discharge measurements for both diversion and riverflow at Coldbrook Intake are obtained by recording flow meters. The elevation of all siphon crests is 650.35 msl (656.0 Boston City Base) with an emergency spillway located on the left bank, I foot higher. A schematic of the diversion apparatus is shown on plate G-21.

Headwater elevations may be obtained from a staff gage installed by the Corps on the upstream side of a catwalk that crosses the pool about 20 feet above the dam. The bottom of the staff gage is set at spillway crest elevation (651.35 msl). Stage and discharge values for Coldbrook Intake are generally supplied by MDC personnel who are on duty 8 hours a day, Monday through Friday. During other hours, river stages may be taken from the NED staff gage.

(c) Quabbin Reservoir. The Quabbin Reservoir, shown on plate G-22 impounds water from 186 square miles of the Swift River watershed and, when Coldbrook is diverting, 96.8 square miles of the Ware River. Minimum downstream flow requirements were established by a U.S. Supreme Court decision responding to a suit brought by the State of Connecticut enjoining the Commonwealth of Massachusetts from diverting water from the Connecticut River basin. As a result, during the period 1 June to 30 November, average minimum flow requirements for the Swift River downstream of Windsor Dam will be 110 cfs (71 mgd) when the flow on the Connecticut River at Montague City is 4,650 cfs or less. During this period, when the flow at Montague City is between 4,650 and 4,900 cfs the average minimum flow downstream will be 70 cfs (45 mgd). At all other times, Quabbin Reservoir will pass an average minimum flow of 32 cfs (20 mgd). These minimum discharges are made through outlet works, which include a hydroelectric station at the foot of the dam.

The overflow spillway of Quabbin Reservoir is located beyond a knoll on the eastern end of Windsor Dam. Spillway crest elevation is at 530 feet above Boston City Datum (BCD) or 524.4 feet msl, and total spillway length is 400 feet. Thirty feet of spillway is depressed to 528 feet BCD to allow drawdown of the reservoir in anticipation of spring snowmelt. Stoplogs are then placed along this depressed length once the pool has been lowered. A spillway rating curve with all stoplogs in place is shown on plate G-23 and a photograph of the Quabbin spillway is shown on plate G-24. In the southeastern corner of the reservoir, releases are made from Quabbin to Wachusett Reservoir via the Quabbin aqueduct. This aqueduct, a 13-foot high and 24.6 mile long arch-shaped tunnel excavated in rock, is capable of discharging 925 cfs when Quabbin levels are at spillway crest. Pertinent data on Quabbin Reservoir is shown on table G-3.

- f. Modification to Authorization. There have been no modifications to the authorized project plans of Barre Falls or Conant Brook dams.
- g. <u>Previous Reports</u>. Public Law 738, 74th Congress, approved 22 June 1936, authorized a 10-reservoir system for the Connecticut River Basin in New Hampshire and Vermont as set forth in House Document 412, 74th Congress, 17 February 1936, "... in the interest of flood control, power development and navigation ..."

Public Law 761, 75th Congress, passed 28 June 1939, approved a comprehensive plan for flood control and other purposes as set forth in House Document 455, 75th Congress. This document increased the reservoirs in the comprehensive plan to twenty, with ten alternatives, and also authorized seven local protection works. The Chicopee Local Protection Project was included in this plan.

#### TABLE G-3

## PERTINENT DATA QUABBIN RESERVOIR

1.	Location		Belchertown, Hardwick, New Salem, Pelham, Petersham, Shutesbury, Ware				
2.	Owner		Mass. Metropolitan District Commission (MDC)				
3.	Drainage	e Area	186 Square Miles				
4.	Project	Features					
	a, Win	sor Dam					
	•	Type Length Maximum Height Top Elevation Volume	Rock and Earthfill 2340 feet 170 feet 544.4 feet msl = 550 feet above Boston City Datum (BCD) 4 million cubic yards				
	ъ. Good	dnough Dike					
	(3) (4)	Type Length Maximum Height Top Elevation Volume	Rock and Earthfill 2140 feet 135 feet 544.4 feet msl = 550 Ft. (BCD) 2.5 million cubic yards				
	c. Quabbin Spillway						
	(1) (2)	Top Elevation Crest Length	524.4 feet ms1 = 530 Ft. (BCD) 400 feet				
	d. Storage						
	(1) (2)	Volume Reservoir Area	1,300,000 A.F. (131 inches of R.O.) 39.4 Sq. Mi.				
4.	Date of	Completion	1936				

Public Law 22, 77th Congress, passed 18 August 1941, authorized construction of the reservoirs of the comprehensive plan approved by the 1938 act, and modified the plan to include the works recommended by the Chief of Engineers in House Document 724, 76th Congress, 3rd Session. Included in these modifications were plans for the construction of Barre Falls Dam on the Ware River and West Brookfield Dam on the Quaboag River.

Public Law 858, 80th Congress, 2nd Session, 30 June 1948 - Section 205 of this Act authorizes the Secretary of the Army to allot money for the construction of small flood control projects not specifically authorized by Congress. A limit of \$100,000 was originally set for the expenditure on any one project; however, this figure has been amended and now stands at \$2 million. For areas which had been declared disaster areas within the 5 years prior to project authorization by the Chief of Engineers, an amount of \$3 million may be allotted. Studies of projects under this authority must be initiated by local interests and assurances of local cooperation and cost-sharing must be made by them before appropriation of Federal funds for construction can be allotted. Projects undertaken under this authority are commonly called "205 Projects". The local protection projects at Ware and West Warren are 205 Projects.

The New England-New York Interagency Committee (NENYIAC), organized at the direction of the President of the United States on 9 October 1950, made a comprehensive survey of the land, water and related resources of the New England-New York area. The Committee, comprised of six Federal agencies: Departments of Army; Agriculture; Commerce; Health, Education and Welfare; Interior and the Federal Power Commission together with a representative from each of the 7-area states, submitted a report dated 27 April 1956. A summary of this report is published in Senate Document 14, 85th Congress, 1st Session, 17 January 1957.

The Corps of Engineers report: "New England Basins, Report on Flood Control and Allied Purposes," dated 30 June 1955, presented a comprehensive flood control plan for the Connecticut River basin essentially the same as that of the NENYIAC Report.

Public Law 86-645, 86th Congress, 14 July 1960 authorized several projects in the Connecticut River basin as set forth in House Document 434, 86th Congress, 2nd Session, 24 June 1960. Included in this plan was flood protection in the Chicopee River basin which included Conant Brook Dam and Reservoir, and Chicopee Falls and Three Rivers local protection projects.

The Comprehensive Water and Related Land Resources Investigation, Connecticut River basin, completed in June 1970, recommended a basin wide flood control plan which included structural measures to be

prepared by the Corps of Engineers and the Soil Conservation Service. An operational change recommended for Barre Falls included in Appendix M of this report, is discussed below.

Due to severe water quality of the watershed, it was recommended that regulation at Barre Falls Dam be altered to include the retention of a 5,460 acre-foot (1.9 inches) pool for flow augmentation releases. This concept is predicated on secondary treatment facilities first being constructed at the known point sources of pollution. However the state and local agencies have not taken an active interest in this proposal and the study in currently inactive.

#### h. Flood Plain Information Reports.

- (1) General. These reports analyze topographic features and hydrologic history to determine flood potential (i.e., flood plain delineations and frequency of flood stages and discharges). This information, where determined, is available to planning groups, zoning boards, private citizens, real estate or industrial developers and others to determine the wise use of flood plain.
- (2) <u>Chicopee River Watershed</u>. Flood Plain Information Reports authorized under Section 206 of the Flood Control Act of 1960 (Public Law 86-645) have been prepared for several communities in the Chicopee River watershed. These communities are tabulated below:

Community	River	Completed
Palmer	Quaboag, Swift and Ware	Sept. 1977
Chicopee, Springfield, Ludlow, Wilbraham and Palmer	Chicopee	Sept. 1973
Monson	Chicopee, Conant Brook	Dec. 1963

i. Flood Insurance Studies. These studies, carried out under provision of the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968 (Public Law 90-448 Title XIII), map communities eligible for the Flood Insurance Program by risk zones and determine insurance rates. Administration of the program is handled by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), which utilizes services of the private insurance industry with Federal subsidization to provide flood insurance to family dwellings and small business properties and their contents.

As of November 1978, the only community in the watershed which has had a final insurance study prepared and has accepted HUD guidelines for flood plain zoning is the city of Chicopee.

j. <u>Principal Project Problems</u>. There have been no major project problems with the structure or the reservoir area at either Barre Falls or Conant Brook Dams.

#### 4. ECONOMY OF THE WATERSHED

a. General. The economy of the Chicopee River watershed, encompassing all or part of 37 towns and 2 cities, is built around manufacturing. The leading industries which employ close to 60 percent of all manufacturing workers are electronics, fabricated metals, machinery and clothing. A major portion of the industrial activity is concentrated in the south and central sections of the basin and is well distributed in every town and village along the banks of the Chicopee, Ware and Quaboag Rivers.

Agriculture in the Chicopee River watershed is limited to less than 20 percent of the total land area. This is mainly because (1) approximately 16 percent of the drainage area in the vicinity of Quabbin Reservoir (117 squre miles), is owned and utilized by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for water supply purposes and (2) a large part of the basin is hilly, and the soil rough and stoney. The only noticeable exception is the upper Quaboag River watershed where some poultry raising, dairy farming and apple growing takes place.

Other activities in the watershed include granite quarrying and sand and gravel excavation. In addition, recent forestation and forest management activities are expected to increase potential lumber resources in the basin.

b. <u>Population</u>. Population of the Chicopee River watershed is distributed unevenly throughout the basin, with the largest portion settling in the more urban areas of the lower watershed. Population trends for several cities and towns in the watershed are shown below:

Town or City	<u>1950</u>	<u>1960</u>	1970
Springfield	162,400	174,500	163,900
Chicopee	49,200	61,500	66,700
Barre	3,400	3,500	3,800
Ware	7,500	7,500	8,200
Palmer	9,500	10,400	11,700
Monson	6,100	6,700	7,400
North Brookfield	3,400	3,600	4,000

c. <u>Family Income</u>. The median income for families in Massachusetts for 1970 was \$10,835. Towns and cities in the Chicopee watershed were lower than that for the State, with Springfield only \$9,612 and Chicopee, the second largest city \$9,738.

#### CHAPTER II

#### MANAGEMENT

#### 5. GENERAL

- a. Project Owner. Both Barre Falls and Conant Brook Dams are owned by the Department of the Army, Corps of Engineers.
- b. Operating Agency. The New England Division is responsible for the operation of both projects. Staffing at Barre Falls is on a normal work week, Monday through Friday, 0800 to 1630 hours, and from 0800 to 0900 on Saturday and Sunday, with the project manager at Barre Falls living at the site. During flood emergency conditions, Barre Falls will be staffed on a 24-hour basis or as instructed by RCC for the duration of the emergency.

Conant Brook is the responsibility of the Westville Lake Project Manager. It is his responsibility, through periodic visits to Conant Brook, to check on conditions which might affect regulations at the project.

c. Regulating Agency. The New England Division, Corps of Engineers is responsible for the regulation of both projects.

#### 6. FUNCTIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES

a. Corps of Engineers. Reservoir regulation activities of the New England Division are performed by the Reservoir Control Center (RCC), a section of the Water Control Branch. Administrative and maintenance activities at Barre Falls and Conant Brook are performed by the project managers at Barre Falls and Westville, respectively. Supervision of the project managers is the responsibility of the Reservoir Branch of the Operations Division. This responsibility is facilitated by each project's respective basin manager. However, during regulation periods, the managers are responsible to the Reservoir Control Center, and report directly to the Center for information and instructions.

The Water Control Branch of the Engineering Division is comprised of three sections; namely, Reservoir Control, Hydrologic Engineering and Hydraulics and Water Quality. The RCC consists of a staff of highly trained hydrologic engineers who devote full time to regulation activities of reservoirs in New England. Members of the other sections assist RCC personnel during routine and flood operations, and also provide technical assistance as needed. An organization chart for reservoir regulation in the New England Division is shown on plate G-25.

The RCC is divided into basin units, each responsible for receiving rourine hydrologic and meteorologic reports and directing reservoir regulation within an assigned river basin. Each unit consists of regulator in charge of the overall operation in the basin, and project regulators who receive reports during working hours or from their homes during nonworking hours. Whenever severe emergency conditions exist, the RCC staffs NED headquarters to assure 24-hour operations as long as necessary.

b. Other Agencies. There are no other Federal, State, county or private agencies that have any responsibility in regulating the flood control aspects of either Barre Falls Dam or Conant Brook Dam.

#### 7. INTER-AGENCY COORDINATION

- a. <u>Inter-Agency Agreements</u>. The Corps of Engineers has cooperative working programs with the U.S. Geological Survey, the National Weather Service and its River Forecast Center at Bloomfield, Connecticut. The Corps uses the hydrologic and forecasting information from these agencies in regulating flood control reservoirs in a manner to provide efficient protection for downstream communities.
- b. <u>Compacts</u>. Congress, by the passage of Public Law 52, 83rd Congress, 6 June 1953, granted its consent and approval to an interstate compact, covering the Connecticut River Valley, that had been previously ratified by the States of New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts and Connecticut. The principal purposes of the compact are:
- (1) Assuring adequate storage capacity for impounding waters in the interest of flood control. Five dams Union Village, Surry Mountain, Knightville, Tully and Birch Hill were in operation at the time the compact was instituted. These dams were endorsed by the compact and included in the tax sharing clause. Twelve additional locations were agreed upon for future tax reimbursement if constructed.
- (2) A system of tax loss reimbursement was set up so that the southern states would share the tax loss with the northern states from Federal acquisition of lands for any flood control dam and reservoir built in the Connecticut River Valley. A tabulation of this tax reimbursement is indicated as follows.

Recipient	Percent Tax	Reimbursing		
State	Loss Reimbursed	State		
Vermont	40	Connecticut		
Vermont	50	Massachusetts		
New Hampshire	40	Connecticut		
New Hampshire	50	Massachusetts		
Massachusetts	40	Connecticut		

(3) Providing a joint or common agency through which the signatory states may effectively cooperate in accomplishing the objectives of flood control and water resources utilization in the basin.

The compact also provides for creation of a commission consisting of three representatives from each of the four states with authority to enter into contracts and agreements and to make such ongoing studies and investigations as may be required in the interest of flood control and in cooperation with Federal agencies.

c. News Releases. It is the policy of the Corps of Engineers to cooperate with the local press and all other forms of news media. This cooperation provides the local communities with information regarding regulation of the Chicopee River projects. The primary source of information regarding the regulation of the projects is the Public Affairs Officer who is responsible for issuing all communities to the press and news media.

Whenever project managers receive requests for information from local news media and private citizens, the manager can give out information pertinent to his project, however, he will not make any flood forecasts. Referrals should be made to RCC for additional information.

#### CHAPTER III

#### HYDROMETEOROLOGY

#### 8. DESCRIPTION OF WATERSHED

The Chicopee River watershed, shown on plate G-3, is located in central Massachusetts within the confines of Worcester, Franklin, Hampshire and Hampden Counties. It has a drainage area of 721 square miles and is the largest watershed in the Connecticut River basin. The watershed is generally fan-shaped with a maximum length of about 45 miles and an average width of 16 miles. Relief of the basin varies from elevation 40 feet msl at the mouth of the Chicopee River to elevation 1,720 feet msl at the headwaters of the basin near Princeton, Massachusetts.

The general topography is low, with rolling hills and several upland plains. Many natural lakes and ponds and artificial ponds developed by local power and manufacturing plants are scattered throughout the watershed. The largest of the natural ponds is Quaboag Pond with an area of about 512 acres, while Quabbin Reservoir, the largest man-made lake in the State, has a surface area of 39.4 square miles. The natural and artificial lakes and ponds have a major effect on floodflows in the Chicopee River basin. A schematic profile of the Chicopee River and its tributaries is shown on plate G-26.

The Chicopee River is formed by the Ware and Quaboag Rivers in the community of Three Rivers; the Swift River enters the Ware just upstream of Three Rivers. From Three Rivers, the Chicopee River flows in a general westerly direction to its confluence with the Connecticut River. The Chicopee River from Three Rivers to the Connecticut, includes an additional area of 76 square miles and falls about 260 feet in 18 miles. Major tributaries of the Chicopee are the Ware, Swift and Quaboag Rivers.

The Ware River is formed by the confluence of its East and West Branches in the town of Barre, Massachusetts, and flows in a general southwesterly direction for about 34 miles to its junction with the Quaboag River. The river falls about 450 feet in this distance. Total drainage area at its mouth, including 216 square miles from the Swift River watershed, is 435 square miles. Hills are prominent in the basin and valleys formed by the Ware River are generally steep and narrow and conducive to rapid runoff. However, flows from the upper 55 square miles are controlled by Barre Falls Dam and Reservoir, and additional control of the Ware River is affected by the Metropolitan District Commission Dam and Intake Works at Coldbrook four miles The function of the Intake Works is to divert below Barre Falls Dam. water from the Ware River to Quabbin Reservoir for water supply purposes. The principal tributary of the Ware River is the Swift River.

The Swift River originates at the confluence of its Middle, East and West Branches in Quabbin Reservoir, a major component of the water supply system for metropolitan Boston. Runoff from 186 square miles flows into the reservoir above Winsor Dam (which is maintained and operated by the Metropolitan District Commission), then diverted to Wachusett Reservoir north of Boston. The 39.4 square mile reservoir area comprises 22 percent of the total watershed, and provides a high degree of protection to the Swift River below the dam. Even in the event of a full reservoir at the beginning of a flood, the large amount of surcharge storage significantly reduces the contribution to downstream flood peaks. The Swift River falls about 80 feet in the 9-mile reach between Winsor Dam and its confluence with the Ware River, which is located about 1 mile upstream of the community of Three Rivers.

The Quaboag River watershed has a drainage area of 210 square miles and a 26 mile length from Quaboag Pond to Three Rivers. In the upper part of the basin, the Quaboag River flows through a large swampy river channel. Valley storage in this area of ponds and flat marsh land is very great, and during flood periods large volumes of water are temporarily stored in this natural basin. The stored floodwaters subside gradually at relatively low rates so that the natural topography produces a flood reduction effect somewhat similar to that of an ungated dam and reservoir. The middle reach of the Quaboag River has a relatively steep slope, but the lower river, downstream of the mouth of the Chicopee Brook, is flat. The river fall from West Brookfield to Three Rivers is about 300 feet. The table on page i in the front of the manual lists the principal tributaries of the Chicopee River.

#### 9. CLIMATE AND RUNOFF

- a. Precipitation. The mean annual precipitation over the watershed is about 44 inches and is distributed uniformly throughout the year. Average monthly precipitation at Ware, Massachusetts varies from a minimum of 3.4 inches in February to a maximum of 4.6 inches in August. Extremes in monthly precipitation at Ware vary from a minimum of 0.62 inch in February 1957 to a maximum of 20.88 in August 1955. Monthly precipitation records for four stations in or near the watershed are listed in table G-4. Annual precipitation for the same stations are shown on plate G-27.
- b. Temperature. The average annual temperatures vary from  $45^{\circ}$  Fahrenheit in the hilly regions to  $50^{\circ}$  in the valleys. Recorded temperature extremes at representative stations within or adjacent to the watershed have varied from a maximum of  $104^{\circ}$  to a minimum of  $-22^{\circ}$ . Table G-5 lists the mean, monthly and the absolute maximum and minimum temperatures at three stations in or adjacent to the watershed.

TABLE G-4

# MONTHLY PRECIPITATION CHICOPEE RIVER WATERSHED (Depth in Inches)

		re Falls Da tion - 910 (1959 - 19	Feet msl	Ware, Mass. Elevation - 410 Feet msl (1928 - 1976)			
Month	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	
January	2.69	5.75	1.00	3.31	6.67	1.01	
February	2.62	4.55	0.88	3.04	5.21	0.62	
March	2.92	5.06	1.08	3.82	7.55	1.49	
April	3.25	5.07	1.07	3.88	6.79	0.71	
May	3.46	7.10	0.98	3.47	6.58	0.74	
June	3.49	6.75	1.50	3.55	9.04	1.32	
July	3.59	7.25	0.61	3.84	7.94	0.76	
August	3.09	6.95	0.60	4.60	20.88	0.71	
September	3.66	9.90	1.34	3.61	14.13	0.96	
October	3.02	6.38	0.63	3.69	8.85	0.71	
November	3.77	6.42	0.85	4.08	6.61	0.85	
December	3.78	8.90	1.96	3.94	7.93	0.83	
Annual	39.38	53.64	26.24	44.70	60.02	26.45	

		imfield Lak tion - 680 (1961 - 19	Feet msl	Eleva	Hardwick, M tion - 990 - 1895, 191	Feet msl
Month	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	Mean	Maximum	Minimum
January	3.18	5.46	1.20	3.40	7.31	0.74
February	3.35	5.67	1.01	3.04	7.50	0.85
March	3.71	7.52	1.85	3.61	9.64	0.98
April	3.21	5.52	0.86	3.58	7.69	0.69
May	3.72	6.42	1.31	3.63	7.02	1.12
June	3.68	8.03	1.02	4.15	12.38	0.72
July	3.33	5.39	0.91	4.33	9.63	0.90
August	3.15	6.46	1.55	4.28	17.94	0.63
September	4.24	9.99	1.61	4.09	14.54	1.17
October	3.12	5.61	0.92	3.36	8.27	0.12
November	4.13	6.16	0.69	4.01	7.27	0.97
December	4.78	9.93	2.52	3.59	8.34	0.67
Annua1	43.64	61.05	31.70	44.92	60.67	30.50

TABLE G-5

# MONTHLY TEMPERATURE CHICOPEE RIVER WATERSHED (Degrees Fahrenheit)

					RRE FALLS				
		RINGFIELD,		HU	BBARDSTON,	MASS.		WESTOVER FIE	LD, MASS. (1)
	73 Yea	rs of Record I	Chrough 1976	17 Year	rs of Record T	hrough 1976	22 Yea	Through 1964	
		Absolute	Absolute		Absolute	Absolute		Absolute	Absolute
		Maximum	Minimum		Maximum	Minimum		Maximum	Minimum
<u>Month</u>	Mean	Recorded	Recorded	Mean	Recorded	Recorded	Mean	Recorded	Recorded
January	26.8	68	- 18	20.6	60	-22	25.1	65	-21
February	27.9	74	-18	21.9	63	-22	27.1	65	- 18
March	36.7	87	-11	29.7	73	-6	36.0	86	-13
April	48.5	93	10	42.9	89	6	47.4	87	13
May	59.5	97	27	53.5	92	23	57.9	93	29
June	68.4	101	32	62.8	90	29	67.2	102	37
July	73.3	104	30	67.1	93	38	72.1	97	45
August	71.5	102	39	65.1	95	28	69.9	100	36
September	63.7	102	26	57.8	90	24	62.2	101	27
October	53.4	90	20	47.7	84	13	52.5	89	17
November	42.1	83	4	37.4	72	6	41.1	81	8
December	30.4	66	- 16	25.3	65	-14	27.8	64	-15
ANNUAL	50.2	104	-18	44.4	90	-22	48.9	102	-21

<sup>(1)</sup> Station Discontinued in February 1964

c. Snow and Snow Cover. The average monthly snowfall at Barre Falls Dam, East Brimfield Lake and Springfield are shown in table G-6. Barre Falls and East Brimfield can be considered representative of the headwater region of the watershed, and Springfield is indicative of the lower portion of the watershed.

Snow surveys have been taken by the Corps of Engineers in the upper Chicopee River watershed since 1958. These surveys determine the water equivalence and density of snow cover and hence the runoff potential of the watershed due to snowmelt. The project managers relay this data to RCC, where it is analyzed with similar information from other basins. A weekly snow bulletin is also prepared for Corps use from the end of January through the end of the snowmelt period.

- d. Storms. The watershed has experienced storms of four general types, namely:
- (1) Extratropical continental storms which move across the basin under the influence of the "prevailing westerlies".
- (2) Extratropical maritime storms which originate and move northward along the eastern coast of the United States.
- (3) Storms of tropical origin, some which attain hurricane magnitude.
- (4) Thunderstorms produced by local convective action or by more general frontal activity.

The most severe storms have been of tropical origin which occur during the late summer and early autumn. The four most serious storms in the watershed in recent years occurred in November 1927, March 1936, September 1938 and August 1955. The events of November 1927, September 1938 and August 1955 were of tropical origin.

#### e. Runoff

- (1) <u>Discharge Records</u>. There are nine USGS gaging stations in the watershed (locations are shown on plate G-3). The period of record for these stations is listed on page i at the front of the manual. A daily hydrograph for the Chicopee River at Indian Orchard from 1936 to 1961 is shown on plate G-29.
- (2) Streamflow Data. Average annual runoff for the 49 year period of record for the gage at Indian Orchard is 17.9 inches, with a maximum of 38.9 inches in water year 1938, and a minimum of 7.5 in water year 1966. The mean annual runoff represents about 40 percent of the mean annual precipitation with about 50 percent of this runoff occurring during February through May. The peak discharge for the

	Hubbardston	Falls Dam , Massachusetts ecord through 1977 Percent	Sturbridge	imfield Lake  Massachusetts ecord through 1977 Percent	Springfield, 82 Years of Re	Massachusetts ecord through 1977 Percent
Month	Mean	of Annual	Mean	of Annual	Mean	of Annual
January	14.6	24.3	15.0	23.3	12.7	26.1
February	16.6	27.7	17.0	26.4	13.8	28.4
March	10.8	18.0	12.1	18.8	9.4	19.3
April	2.4	4.0	2.9	4.5	1.7	3.5
May	T	0.0	0.1	0.1	т	0.0
June	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
July	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
August	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
September	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
October	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.0	0.0
November	1.4	2.3	3.5	5.4	2.3	4.7
December	14.0	23.4	13.5	21.0	8.7	17.9

64.3

100.0

48.6

100.0

ANNUAL

60.0

100.0

TABLE G-7

# CORPS OF ENGINEERS SNOW SURVEY COURSES CHICOPEE RIVER BASIN, MASSACHUSETTS

Station	River	Elevation (ms1)	Local	(Long.)	Period of Record
Barre Falls	Ware	820	42-26	72-02	Jan. 1958 - Present
Hubbardston	Ware	1020	42-29	72-01	Jan. 1958 - Present
Princeton	Ware	1400	42-29	71-53	Jan. 1961 - Present
Petersham	Swift	990	42-29	72-11	Jan. 1961 - Present
Rutland	Ware	1040	42-24	71–58	Jan. 1958 - Present
West Brookfield	Quaboag	650	42-13	72-07	Jan. 1958 - Present
Wales	Ou <b>a</b> boag	1000	42-04	72-14	Jan. 1961 - Present
Leicester	Qûaboag	1050	42-17	71-55	Jan. 1958 - Present
Spencer	Quaboag	1050	42-12	71–59	Jan. 1961 - Present

# TABLE G-8 MONTHLY RUNOFF CHICOPEE RIVER WATERSHED

Ware River near Barre, Mass. (D.A. = 55 sq. mi.) 1946-1977 Ware River at Gibbs Crossing (D.A. = 199 sq. mi.) 1912-1977

	Ave	rage	May	amum	Min	iman	Ave	rage	Max	imum	$\_$ Min	imum
Month	$\underline{CFS}$	Inches	CFS	Inches	CFS	Inches	CFS	Inches	CFS	Inches	CFS	Inches
January	95	2.0	204	4.1	16	0.3	302	1.8	728	4.3	62	0.4
February	103	2.0	271	5.2	31	0.0	300	1.6	802	4.3	89	0.5
March	172	3.6	338	7.1	69	1.4	553	3.2	1838	10.7	211	1.2
April	233	4.7	427	9.0	82	1.0	617	3.5	1394	7.9	231	1.3
May	123	2.6	216	4.5	42	0.9	379	2.2	731	4.3	156	0.9
June	64	1.3	175	3.0	14	0.3	238	1.3	603	3.4	65	0.4
July	3 <b>I</b>	<b>0.</b> 6	91	1.9	5	0.1	156	0.9	714	4. i	37	0.2
August	24	0.5	169	3,5	2	0.1	120	0.7	890	5.2	26	0.2
September	26	0.5	275	5.0	2	0.1	136	0.8	1707	9.9	15	0.1
October	43	0.9	233	4.9	4	0.1	142	0.8	75 <b>0</b>	4.4	29	0.2
November	74	1.5	230	4.8	7	0.2	235	1.3	922	5.2	34	0.2
December	97	2.0	204	4.3	13	0.3	285	1.6	736	4.2	61	0.3
Water Year	91	22.5	133	32.8	30	7.4	288	19.8	581	40.0	107	7. <b>4</b>

Quaboag River at West Brimfield (D.A. = 151 sq. mi.) 1913-1977 Chicopee River at Indian Orchard (D.A. = 688 sq. mi.) 1928-1977

	Ave	rage	Max	imum	Min	imuni	Av	erage	Max	imum	_Mini	mum
Month	CFS	Inches	CFS	Inches	CFS	Inches	CFS	Inches	CFS	Inches	CFS	Inches
January	255	2.0	587	4.5	49	0.4	921	1.6	2447	4, 1	221	0.4
February	268	1.9	748	5.3	65	0.4	970	1.5	2374	3.7	332	0.5
March	491	3.8	1399	10.8	207	1.6	1615	2.7	5993	10.1	686	1.2
April	548	4.1	1352	10.1	173	1.3	1851	3.0	4117	6.7	636	1.0
May	315	2.4	573	4.4	108	0.8	1183	2.0	2680	4.5	471	0.8
June	179	1.3	655	4.9	47	0.4	776	1.3	2475	4.0	229	0,4
July	107	0.8	524	4.0	18	0.1	490	0.8	2458	4,1	159	0.3
August	105	0.8	1440	11.1	13	0.1	436	0.7	3719	6.3	176	0.3
September	1.11	0.8	1369	10.2	12	0.1	513	0.8	5474	9.0	160	0.3
October	115	0.9	607	4.8	12	0.1	487	0.8	1953	3,3	131	0.2
November	172	1.3	693	5.2	27	0.2	702	1.1	3022	4.9	154	0.2
December	234	1.8	600	4,6	49	0.4	841	1.4	2278	3.8	241	0,4
Water Year	241	21.9	<b>4</b> 30	39.0	104	9.4	901	17.9	1952	38.9	376	7.5

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period of record reached 42,500 cfs on 21 September 1938. The minimum average daily flow was 16 cfs on several occasions during the period 1929 to 1931. The average annual flow for the period of record at Indian Orchard is 901 cfs.

A summary of the maximum, minimum and average monthly and the average annual runoff for selected USGS gaging stations are shown in table G-8. Annual runoff for each station is listed on plate G-30. A summary of runoff data is also shown on pertinent data sheet i. Rating tables for the USGS gages at Indian Orchard, and Barre and several points along the Connecticut River are shown on plates G-31 through G-35.

#### f. Frequency Analysis

(1) Peak Discharge Frequency. The natural frequency of occurence of discharges was determined for selected U.S. Geological Survey gaging stations and is shown in table G-9. Frequency analyses were made in accordance with procedures in ER 1110-2-1450, "Hydrologic Frequency Estimates", dated 10 October 1962. Following a regional frequency analysis, a skew coefficient of 1.0 was adopted for all tributaries of the Connecticut River. The discharge frequency data shown in table G-9 was prepared for the Comprehensive Water and Related Land Resources: Connecticut River Basin in June 1970, and is based on discharge data which was collected through 1963.

NATURAL PEAK DISCHARGE FREQUENCY DATA
CHICOPEE RIVER WATERSHED

Expected	Recurrence	Chicopee R.	Ware R.	Quaboag R.
Probability	Interval	at Indian	at Gibbs	at West
Percent Chance	Years	Orchard	Crossing	Brimfield
		(cfs)	(cfs)	(cfs)
0.5	200	48,000	19,300	8,100
1.0	100	35,500	14,500	6,300
2.0	50	26,000	10,800	4,900
5.0	20	17,000	7,100	3,400
10.0	10	12,000	5,200	2,600
20.0	5	8,450	3,700	1,900
50.0	2	5,100	2,450	1,270
99.0	1	3,400	2,020	1,030

(2) Frequency of Reservoir Fillings. The pool stage at Barre Falls Dam has equalled or exceeded 781 feet msl, which is a about 7 percent of total flood control storage capacity, 19 times from the beginning of operations in July 1958 through June 1978.

### TABLE G-10

## SIGNIFICANT RESERVOIR STORAGES

### BARRE FALLS DAM 1958-1978

		Storage Utilized				
Date	Maximum Elevation	Inches	Acre-Feet	Percent		
1959 Apr	783.9	1.0	2,810	12		
1959 Jul	783.0	0.9	2,450	11		
1959 Oct	783.4	0.9	2,600	11		
1960 Apr	797.9	4.5	13,000	55		
1962 Apr	789.0	1.9	5,5 <b>00</b>	23		
1963 Apr	783.2	0.9	2,500	11		
1966 Feb	781.5	0.7	1,900	8		
1966 Mar	784.4	1.1	3,025	13		
1967 Apr	782.2	0.7	2, 125	9		
1968 Mar	788.8	1.9	5,400	22		
1970 Apr	784.4	1.1	3,025	13		
1972 Mar	781.0	0.6	1,700	7		
1973 Jan	781.6	0.7	1,910	8		
1973 Feb	782.1	0.7	2,100	9		
1973 Dec	784.7	1, 1	3,150	14		
1975 Sep	784.9	1.1	3,200	14		
1976 Jan	785.3	1.2	3,420	15		
1977 Mar	786.1	1.3	3,950	16		
1978 Jan	784.2	1.0	2,940	12		

## CONANT BROOK DAM 1966-1978

		Sto	Storage Utilized				
Date	Maximum Stage	Inches	Acre-Feet	Percent			
1968 Mar	17.6	0.5	225	7			
1970 Feb	18.0	0.6		7			
1970 Apr	15.0	0.4	150	4			
1973 Feb	<b>16.</b> 6	0.5	195	6			
1973 Dec	16.7	0.5	195	6			
1975 Sep	17.2	0.5	200	6			
1976 Jan	17.8	0.5	235	7			
1978 Jan	16.5	0.5	190	6			

The pool stage at Conant Brook has equalled or exceeded 15 feet, which is about 4 percent of total flood control storage capacity, 8 times from the beginning of operations in September 1966 through June 1978.

A tabulation of these operations, with the amount of floodwaters stored, is given in table G-10. The area-capacity table and area-capacity and percent full curves are shown on plate G-36 to G-38 for Barre Falls Dam and on plates G-39 to G-41 for Conant Brook Dam.

#### 10. CHANNEL AND FLOODWAY

During the non-growing season, the channel capacity downstream of Barre Falls Dam on the Ware River is approximately 1000 cfs. During the growing season, approximately late April to October, this value drops to about 600 cfs.

Principal damage centers in the watershed during past floods have been at Ware and Hardwick along the Ware River and Chicopee and Palmer along the Chicopee River area. Important index stations in the watershed are the staff gage on the Route 32 highway bridge in Barre Plains (drainage area = 115 square miles), the USGS gage at the Coldbrook diversion (drainage area = 96.8 square miles) and the USGS gaging station at Indian Orchard (drainage area = 688 square miles). On the Connecticut River, the National Weather Service gage at Springfield is monitored by RCC for the regulation of projects to maintain stages on the mainstem.

In general Barre Falls is regulated to try and keep stages below 5.5 feet during the non-growing season and below 2.5 feet during the growing season. The Coldbrook Diversion is capable of diverting 890 cfs to Quabbin Reservoir and diverting 2960 cfs to both Quabbin and Wachusett Reservoir simultaneously. However this is rarely done. Ware River water is often highly colored particularly during periods of high flow, and is normally diverted only to Quabbin Reservoir which acts as a large settling basin. Therefore, it is evident that the magnitude of releases will be governed by conditions downstream of Coldbrook during nondiversion periods. Releases from Barre Falls bringing downstream flows up to maximum channel capacity should be made during Phase III regulation, provided these releases do not exceed inflow into the reservoir.

Releases from Conant Brook Reservoir are automatically limited by the size of the outlet conduit. Maximum discharges through the outlet will not exceed 225 cfs, which is considered to be the downstream channel capacity.

#### 11. FLOODS OF RECORD

- a. <u>General</u>. History of flooding in the watershed has shown that floods occur at anytime of year. The floods of November 1927, September 1938 and August 1955 were caused by heavy rainfall, while the event of March 1936 was caused by heavy rainfall associated with warm weather and considerable snowmelt.
- b. <u>Historic Floods</u>. Few records are available of serious flooding prior to 1927; however, the watershed experienced damaging flooding during February 1807, September 1828, May 1854, April 1869, October 1869, April 1895, March 1896 and February 1900.
- c. Recent Flooding. In recent years, four significant floods have been experienced, and occurred in November 1927, March 1936, September 1938 and August 1955. Each event is described below.
- (1) November 1927 Flood. A tropical storm formed over the Carribean late in October 1927, started northward 1 November and was at the lower end of Chesapeake Bay by 3 November. The storm followed a path over western Massachusetts and Vermont, causing the greatest flooding on the Vermont tributaries of the Connecticut River with serious flooding in New Hampshire and the western tributaries of Massachusetts. Storm rainfall was excessive in the Chicopee River watershed, causing the river to rise to above bankfull in many areas. Storm rainfall for 2-4 November at Ware, Hardwick and Hubbardston was 4.4, 4.5 and 4.1 inches, respectively, and the 24-hour rainfall at each of these stations was 4.1, 4.5 and 3.9 inches, respectively. Peak flows during this storm at the Ware River at Gibbs Crossing, the Swift River at Ware and the Quaboag River at West Brimfield were 14.3, 12.0 and 7.9 cubic feet per second per square mile of drainage area (csm), respectively. Total volume of runoff at the Gibbs Crossing gage for the period 3-10 November was 1.9 inches.
- (2) March 1936 Flood. After the first week of March 1936, temperatures in New England became unseasonably warm and continued for the remainder of the month. Snow cover in the upper and central parts of the Connecticut River basin was above average as little thawing had occurred in January and February. During the period 9-22 March, three storm centers passed over New England, with heavy rainfall on 11-12 and 17-18 March. The total storm rainfall at Hardwick, Hubbardston and Ware were 7.3, 7.0 and 5.3 inches, respectively. Water equivalent of the snowmelt during this period was estimated at about 4 inches. Peak flows during this period at Chicopee River at Bircham Bend (drainage area = 704 square miles), Ware River at Gibbs Crossing, Swift River at Ware and Quaboag River at West Brimfield were 29.0, 52.3, 40.8 and 24.0 csm, respectively. For the month, approximately 9.8 inches total runoff passed the gage at Bircham Bend.

The Connecticut River at Hartford crested at 37.6 feet, the greatest flood in over 300 years of record, and from Fifteen Mile Falls to its mouth all previously known flood discharges were exceeded except in that part of the river just downstream of White River Junction, Vermont where the peak was less than that of the November 1927 flood.

(3) September 1938 Flood. This event produced the greatest flood of record along the Ware, Swift and Chicopee Rivers. Antecedent rainfall and runoff had filled many natural storage areas in the basin by the time of the most intense rainfall. As a result, the time sequence of this hurricane was conducive to high peak discharges. Total rainfall for the period 12-22 September for Hardwick, Hubbardston and Ware was 11.4, 15.6 and 12.8 inches, respectively. Maximum 24-hour rainfall at each of these stations was 5.4, 10.2 and 6.0 inches, respectively. Peak flows during this storm at the Chicopee River at Bircham Bend, the Ware River at Gibbs Crossing, the Swift River at Ware and the Quaboag River at West Brimfield were 64.2, 114.1. 29.5 and 56.1 csm, respectively. For the period 20-25 September 6.0 inches of runoff occurred at the Chicopee River at Bircham Bend. Plate G-42 shows the natural flood hydrograph and the hydrograph as modified by Barre Falls and Conant Brook Reservoir at three locations in the watershed.

This flood was the second largest on the lower Connecticut River and the greatest of record on many tributaries in the central and lower portions of the basin.

(4) August 1955 Flood. Although not as large as the 1938 event in most areas of the Chicopee watershed, the August 1955 flood produced the greatest flows of record along the Quaboag River. This event was brought about by two hurricanes occurring within a few days of each other. The first, hurricane "Connie", maintained a rather uniform rainfall rate during the period 11-14 August and, owing to dry antecedent ground conditions, did not produce an exceptional amount of runoff. The second storm, hurricane "Diane", produced intense rainfall from 17-20 August especially in southern portions of the watershed and caused serious flooding as a result. Rainfall totals for Ware and Springfield were 19.2 and 20.9 inches, respectively and maximum 24-hour rainfall for these two stations, respectively, were 14.0 and 11.5 inches on 19 August. Peak discharges at the Chicopee River at Indian Orchard, the Ware River at Gibbs Crossing and the Quaboag River at West Brimfield were 61.3, 80.7, 84.8 csm, respectively. Total runoff for the period 18-30 August at West Brimfield and Indian Orchard was 9.5 and 8.9 inches, respectively.

Plate G-43 shows the natural flood hydrograph and the hydrograph as modified by Barre Falls and Conant Brook Reservoirs at three locations in the watershed.

Due to the path of the storm, no heavy precipitation occurred above the Massachusetts-Vermont-New Hampshire state line, and the flooding occurred in the southern part of the Connecticut River basin. Record breaking floods occurred in many of the southern tributaries; and the Connecticut River at Hartford recorded the third highest stage-30.6 feet for a discharge of 200,800 cfs.

#### 12. ANALYSIS OF FLOODS

- a. Chicopee River. The floods of record were analyzed in detail to determine the hydrologic development of floods in the Chicopee River watershed. The runoff characteristics of significant tributaries were appraised with a view of finding the relative timing and discharge contributions at the principal index points along the main rivers within the watershed, as well as the major damage centers on the Connecticut River. The analysis of record floods resulted in the following conclusions:
- (1) Flooding may occur on the Chicopee River or its two principal tributaries, the Ware and Quaboag Rivers, at any time of the year.
- (2) Major floods on the Chicopee River may be caused by large contributions from the Ware River as in September 1938 or the Quaboag River as in August 1955.
- (3) A major flood occurring simultaneously on both the Ware and Quaboag Rivers could produce a Chicopee River flood exceeding any that has yet been experienced.
- (4) The large surcharge storage in Quabbin Reservoir eliminates any appreciable contribution from the upper Swift River to downstream flood peaks.
- (5) The upper Ware River receives a relatively high degree of protection from Barre Falls Reservoir and to a certain extent, by Coldbrook diversion. Below Barre Falls Dam, the middle and lower portions of the basin are capable of producing high runoff. This was illustrated by the August 1955 flood when the lower Ware River experienced the second greatest flood of record although the contribution from the upper part of the basin was minor.
- (6) Numerous lakes and extensive valley storage in the Quaboag River watershed upstream of West Brookfield have a significant effect on reducing and retarding flood runoff. As a result, the contribution from this area to downstream flood crests is relatively small.

- (7) Topography of the lower Quaboag River between West Brookfield and Palmer is conducive to the formation of high flood peaks. Many small streams, with relatively short times of concentration, enter the Quaboag River in this ll-mile reach. Runoff from these streams is primarily responsible for producing flood peaks on the Quaboag River at Three Rivers.
- (8) Peak flow of the Quaboag River at Three Rivers usually precedes that of the Ware River by about 3 to 6 hours. However, there is a possibility that the two peaks could coincide, thereby producing higher stages at Three Rivers and along the Chicopee River. Runoff from the 30 square miles of the Swift River between Winsor Dam and the mouth attains its maximum rate of discharge at Three Rivers several hours before either the Ware or Quaboag Rivers.
- (9) During large floods the peak discharge of the Chicopee River changes very slightly as the flood crest moves downstream from Three Rivers to its mouth.
- b. Connecticut River. Flooding along the Connecticut River is caused be excessive rainfall, melting snow or a combination of both. Analyses of record floods reveal that Connecticut River floods have generally originated in one of the following manners: (1) as a general basinwide flood, usually with snowmelt, (2) in the northern portion upstream of White River Junction, (3) in the central portion between White River Junction and Montague City, and (4) in the southern portion downstream of Montague City. The November 1927 event occurred in the central and upper portions of the basin, the March 1936 flood was basinwide, the September 1938 flood originated in the lower and central portions of the basin, the flood of August 1955 was a lower basin event, and the April 1960 event was caused by considerable rainfall and snowmelt throughout the basin.

#### 13. DESIGN FLOODS

#### a. Spillway Design Flood

(1) Barre Falls Design Criteria. As presented in the "General Design Memorandum" dated 1956, a maximum predicted storm upstream of Barre Falls Dam was determined based on Hydrometeorological Report 23 developed by the National Weather Service. The spillway design flood was determined by applying a computed 3-hour unit hydrograph to the maximum predicted storm. Total spillway design storm rainfall, 21-hour duration, was 22.36 inches (infiltration = 1.05 inches). The reservoir inflow and outflow peaks were 68,300 and 16,300 cfs, respectively, for the spillway design flood.

TABLE G-11

# SPILLWAY DESIGN CRITERIA BARRE FALLS DAM AND CONANT BROOK DAM

			Conant		
	***************************************	Falls	Brook		
	Design	1967	Design		
Item	Criteria	Review	Criteria		
Drainage Area (sq. mi.)	5	5	7.8		
Spillway Design Storm Basis of Design Volume of Rainfall (in.) Total Losses Storm Duration	HR #23,28 22.4 1.1 21	HR #33 20.1	HR #33 24.4 1.2 24		
Unit Hydrograph Unit Rainfall Duration (hrs) Peak Flow (cfs)	3 4380	3 <b>43</b> 80	2 1,000		
Spillway Design Flood (SDF) Peak Inflow to Reservoir (cfs) Volume of Runoff (ac-ft) Peak Outflow (total cfs)	68,300 65,200 16,300	61,000 55,500 14,500	11,900 9,650 11,000		
SDF Reservoir Reg. Plan Initial Pool Condition Outlet Facility, During Flood Max. Surcharge Elev. (ft msl)	Full Closed 825	Fuli Closed 823.8	747 Operable 766		
Freeboard Characteristics Design Wind Velocity (mph) Effective Fetch (miles) Average Depth (ft) Wave Runup (ft) Wind Tide (ft) Adopted Freeboard (ft)	60 1.2  4.1 0.2 5.0	80 1.2 25 4.5 0.4 5.0	80 0.35  2.2 Negligible 5.0		
Top Elevation of Dam (ft msl)	830	828.8	771		

Spillway design requirements included: pool at spillway crest at start of spillway desin flood, gates closed during entire flood period and maximum wave heights occurring at time of maximum spillway discharge. A summary of design criteria for Barre Falls is presented in table G-11 and regulation during the spillway design flood is illustrated on plate G-44.

- (2) Barre Falls 1967 Criteria. In April 1967, a review was made of the older reservoir projects to determine whether their hydrologic design criteria conformed adequately with current policies and criteria with respect to safety and functional reliability. Results of the Barre Falls re-analysis indicated that the original spillway design flood was more severe, and hence was sufficient to meet current design criteria. A summary of 1967 criteria for the spillway design flood is listed in table G-11.
- (3) Conant Brook Design Criteria. "Design Memorandum No. 1", March 1963 computed a spillway design flood using a synthetic 2-hour unit hydrograph and a maximum predicted storm as determined from Hydrometeorological Report 33, dated April 1956 and prepared by the National Weather Service. Total maximum probable precipitation, 24-hour duration, was 24.4 inches (infiltration = 1.2 inches and rainfall excess = 23.2 inches). The reservoir inflow and outflow peaks were 11,900 and 11,000 cfs, respectively, for the spillway design flood.

This project is relatively new and the spillway design criteria is nearly the same as current criteria. A summary of design criteria is presented in table G-11 and regulation during the spillway design flood is illustrated on plate G-45.

b. Standard Project Flood. This design flood was prepared for the "Interim Report on Review of Survey, Chicopee River Basin, dated 8 September 1959; it was developed to demonstrate the flood producing potentiality of the basin, and also provide a basis for design of local protection projects. It was developed using standard project storm rainfall and unit hydrographs developed from an analysis of floods of record. Unit hydrographs used for the Chicopee River watershed exclusive of the upper reaches of the Ware River were derived from the August 1955 flood. On the upper reaches of the Ware River data from the September 1938 flood, which substantially exceeded the 1955 event, was used for the derivations of unit hydrographs.

A standard project storm for the watershed was centered on the drainage divide between the Ware and Quaboag Rivers. This location produced the most critical runoff conditions in the Chicopee River and was used to determine the most severe flooding in those areas where local protection was being considered.

Peak discharge of the standard project flood on the Chicopee River at Indian Orchard, Massachusetts is 77,800 cfs, which is nearly twice the peak of the 1955 flood of 40,500 cfs, and of the 1938 flood of 45,200 cfs.

Natural and modified hydrographs at selected locations for this flood are shown on plate G-46.

#### 14. FLOOD DAMAGES

- a. <u>General</u>. In the last 75 years, the three largest basinwide floods occurred in March 1936, September 1938, and August 1955. The events have been hydrologically described in previous paragraphs. The "Interim Report on Review of Survey Chicopee River Basin," dated 8 September 1959, describes flood damage data for the 1938 and 1955 floods in Appendix C Flood Losses and Benefits.
- b. Experienced Losses. The following tabulation briefly summarizes experienced flood damage data in the respective year dollars for the 1936, 1938, and 1955 events along the Ware River from Barre to Three Rivers, and along the Chicopee River.

	Experienced Flood Losses			
Event	Ware River (\$1,000)	Chicopee River (\$1,000)	<u>Total</u> (\$1,000)	
March 1936	2,300	400	2,700	
September 1938	3,740	2,900	6,640	
August 1955	1,030	6,500	7,530	

It is noted that all Corps flood control projects in the watershed were constructed after the 1955 flood. In addition, stage-damage curves based on field reconnaisance have not been updated since the 1959 Interim Survey Report was prepared.

c. Experienced Flood Levels or Discharge. Experienced flood conditions at selected index stations are summarized for reference purposes.

		Flood Event		
	Drainage	September	March	August
1ndex Gage (1)	Area (sq.mi.)	1938	1936	1955
	•			
Coldbrook Div.	96.8	14,000 cfs	5,990 cfs	652.4 ft ms1
Barre Plains (2)	115	590 ft msl	583 ft ms1	577 ft msl
Gibbs Crossing	199	22,700 cfs 18.2 ft stage	11,200 cfs 12.0 ft stage	12,200 cfs 12.8 ft stage
Indian Orchard	688			40,500 cfs 22.1 ft stage
Bircham Bend	703	45,200 cfs	20,400 cfs	

#### Notes:

- (1) Additional information on the index gages associated with reservoir regulation activities can be found in paragraphs 18 and 30.
- (2) The zero datum of the Barre Plains staff gage is at elevation 569.7 ft msl. This indicates the 1938 event reached a stage of about 20 feet at the gage.
- d. Existing Benefit Analysis. Following each flood event, RCC determines the modifying effects of Corps projects at downstream locations. Natural flows and stages are computed for index damage zones along the Ware, Chicopee and Connecticut Rivers. The Economic and Social Analysis Branch of Planning Division determines benefits at each zone associated with reservoirs and local protection projects. A "Damage Prevented" form which is used by RCC and Economics Branch to compute benefits within the Connecticut River basin will be included in the Master Manual.

#### 15. DROUGHTS

a. General. The Chicopee River watershed lies within the general zone classified as humid, and the average annual precipitation is distributed reasonably well throughout the year. In National Weather Service terminology, a drought is considered to be a period of 14 or more days in which less than 0.1 inch of precipitation falls in a 48-hour period. To the agriculturist, a drought is a lack of soil moisture during the growing season. Hydrologically, a drought is defined as a prolonged period of precipitation deficiency which

seriously affects riverflow as well as surface and ground water supplies. Periods of deficient precipitation and runoff have occurred in the Chicopee River watershed.

- b. <u>History</u>. The drought history in the watershed extends back more than 100 years. Several periods of below average precipitation have occurred prior to 1960, although no serious impact was made on the water needs of the area due to the sparse population and lack of industry in the region. The most notable of these occurred in 1880-1883, 1894, 1930, 1941 and 1949.
- c. Drought of 1961-1966. The longest and most severe drought in the history of the Connecticut River basin is the one of 1961-1966. During this period, the cumulative precipitation deficiencies (i.e., total amount below normal) at Barre Falls and Ware, Massachusetts were 42.0 and 72.9 inches, respectively, which are 106 and 160 percent of the average annual precipitation. The cumulative runoff deficiencies for water years 1962-1966 at the Ware River at Gibbs Crossing, Quaboag River at West Brimfield and Chicopee River at Indian Orchard were 26.3, 28.9 and 36.8 inches, respectively, which are 130, 130 and 205 percent of the average annual runoff. Rarely is a deficiency of ground water carried over from one growing season to the next in New England, since it is replenished during each spring runoff. However, this condition occurred in the winter of 1964-1965 and resulted in a record low flow runoff at Ware River at Gibbs Crossing, and at the Quaboag River at West Brimfield of 7.4 and 9.4 inches, respectively, in water year 1965. These are 37 and 43 percent, respectively, of the average annual runoff (refer to plate G-30).

#### CHAPTER IV

#### COMMUNICATIONS

#### 16. GENERAL

All communications between the project managers and RCC are made via the NED radio network during normal work hours or when NED headquarters are otherwise manned. Whenever the radio network is inoperative, communications are made by telephone. During nonwork hours, reports and regulation instructions are issued via telephone to or from the homes of WCB personnel. In the event of failure of the NED radio network and telephone service, emergency communications will be attempted through the State Police or Civil Defense radio facilities. In addition, radios in the Automatic Hydrologic Radio Reporting Network facilities in the field are tied directly to the RCC computer room serving as a backup system for normal radio communication. Location of the sites are listed in paragraph 19.

#### 17. PRECIPITATION REPORTING NETWORK

Reports of precipitation data from the Chicopee River watershed are used primarily for the purpose of alerting RCC personnel and for providing a basis for appraising the severity of the storm. Collection and reporting of precipitation data from Barre Falls Dam is the responsibility of the project manager who also receives calls from observers in the watershed. Identification and location of these observers is given in the RCC telephone directory which is updated annually.

The Reservoir Control Center periodically reviews network arrangements to insure that an adequate reporting network is maintained. The Northeast River Forecast Center in Bloomfield, Connecticut receives precipitation reports from observers in and near the Chicopee River watershed, which are made available to RCC upon request. In addition, cooperative daily reporting procedures from most Corps dams have been established with the River Forecast Center and have been detailed in Separate memos to each project manager.

#### 18. RIVER REPORTING NETWORK

a. <u>General</u>. A network of river stage observation stations, which is part of an overall river reporting system for the Connecticut River basin has been established. This network assists in the execution of the reservoir regulation plan by permitting personnel in RCC and at the dams to obtain river stages at selected key index stations located on tributaries or on the Connecticut River.

b. <u>River Reporting System</u>. The Corps existing reporting system for regulating Barre Falls Dam includes:

USGS gaging station at Barre
Staff gage on the Route 32 highway bridge in Barre Plains
USGS gaging station at the Coldbrook Diversion
USGS gaging station at Indian Orchard
USGS gaging station at Montague City
NED gaging station at York Street pumping station -Springfield
NWS gaging station at Bulkley bridge - Hartford

#### A brief discussion on each follows:

- (1) Ware River at Barre. The USGS gaging station at Barre (plate G-35) measures runoff from the 55 square miles of the upper Ware River watershed controlled by Barre Falls Dam. This gage is located on the left bank about 700 feet downstream from the dam and has been in operation since July 1946. Data from this gage is read remotely from the gate house.
- (2) Ware River at Barre Plains. This staff gage, located on the downstream side of the center pier of the Route 32 highway bridge (drainage area 115 square miles), is an indicator of stage in the low lying area along the Ware River between South Barre and Wheel-wright. Observations at this location are requested by RCC from the project manager during high flows.
- (3) Ware River at the Coldbrook Diversion. This USGS gage is on the right bank of the Ware River above the diversion structure. Runoff from the upper 96.8 square miles of drainage area of the Ware River watershed is measured and recorded here.
- (4) Chicopee River at Indian Orchard. The USGS gaging station at Indian Orchard is located on the left bank of the Chicopee River approximately 7 miles above the mouth. This gage records the runoff from 688 of the 721 square mile watershed. The gage is presently telemark equipped and is also included in the Automatic Hydrologic Radio Reporting Network. The rating table for this location is included on plate G-34.
- (5) Connecticut River at Montague City. The USGS gage at Montague City is located on the left bank of the river 75 feet downstream from the NYNH&H Railroad bridge at Montague City and 1,000 feet downstream from the mouth of the Deerfield River. This gage records runoff from 7,865 square miles, is telemark-equipped and also reports via the AHRRN. The rating table for this gage is included on plate G-31.
- (6) Connecticut River at Springfield. This gage (plate G-32) is on the left bank at the York Street pumping station, approximately 4,500 feet downstream from Memorial bridge and about 3,000 feet

above the confluence of the Westfield and Connecticut Rivers. During flood periods, it is used to measure stages associated with runoff from a drainage area of 9,587 square miles, including the Westfield River watershed. Data from the gage is automatically transmitted via the AHRRN.

(7) Connecticut River at Hartford, Connecticut. The gage (plate G-31) on the Connecticut River is located on Bulkley bridge in Hartford and is in a natural storage reach, resulting in a <u>hysteresis</u> curve for the stage-discharge relationship. This station has an area of 10,428 square miles, is telemark-equipped and reports via AHRRN to the Reservoir Control Center.

#### C. Future Plans

Paragraph 19 and 20 discuss the collecton of hydrologic data by means of a radio reporting network. When and if the GOES system becomes "operational", RCC will consider locating DCP's at the Route 32 bridge in Barre Plains and also at the USGS gaging station on the Ware River at Gibbs Crossing. This gage has an area of 199 square miles and is located in Ware approximately 25 river miles downstream of Barre Falls Dam.

#### 19. AUTOMATIC HYDROLOGIC RADIO REPORTING NETWORK

The effective regulation of flood control projects in New England, consisting of 35 flood control dams and four hurricane barriers, requires reliable and rapid method of collection and coordinating hydrologic data by the Reservoir Control Center. In January 1970, the installation of an Automatic Hydrologic Radio Reporting Network (AHRRN) was completed. Radio gaging stations have been established at the following locations in the Connecticut River basin:

Connecticut River at Wells River, Vermont
White River at West Hartford, Vermont
Connecticut River at West Lebanon, New Hampshire
Connecticut River at North Walpole, New Hampshire
Ashuelot River at Keene, New Hampshire

Deerfield River at West Deerfield, Massachusetts Connecticut River at Montague City, Massachusetts Chicopee River at Indian Orchard, Massachusetts Westfield River at Westfield, Massachusetts

Connecticut River at Springfield, Massachusetts Mad River Lake at Winchester, Connecticut Farmington River at Unionville, Connecticut Farmington River at Rainbow, Connecticut Connecticut River at Hartford, Connecticut Details of the computer controlled radio hydrologic reporting network are covered in a report prepared by RCC in August 1976, entitled: "Flood Control Automatic Hydrologic Radio Reporting Network." Plate G-47 shows a computer printout of a typical interrogation.

#### 20. DATA COLLECTION BY SATELLITE

In June 1972, NED entered into a contract with the National Aeronautic and Space Administration (NASA) for an experiment to study the feasibility of using the Earth Resources Technology Satellite (ERTS, later referred to as LANDSAT) for collecting hydrologic data from about 20 stations in New England. Many of these stations were USGS gages. A major objective of this experimental program was to compare the cost, reliability and operational effectiveness of the LANDSAT data collection with the existing NED (AHRRN) radio network. A final report, issued in March 1975, stated the concept was economically feasible and operationally reliable; however, more frequent reporting times would be required for an operational system. In 1975 as an outgrowth of this work, NED installed a ground receive station consisting of a 15-foot parabolic antenna and satellite tracking equipment.

In August 1977, NED investigated the capability of receiving hydrologic data via GOES, a geostationary operational satellite operated by NOAA, employing NED's existing 15 foot downlink. Approval was obtained from OCE in September 1977 to procure a GOES receive station and to purchase data collection platforms. Conversion of the downlink was performed in 1978 and the system is now capable of receiving data from LANDSAT or GOES and contains dual minicomputers to accomodate the GOES data collection. Plans are underway for purchase of 50 GOES DCP's during FY 1979, pending OCE approval.

#### 21. REPORTS

- a. Weekly Reports. The project manager makes a routine report via radio (or telephone) to RCC each Friday morning. This report insures continuous contact between field personnel and RCC, and also serves as a check on the communications network. The report includes the preceding 24-hour precipitation, current weather conditions at index stations and other miscellaneous data. A sample of a completed Friday morning report is shown on plate G-48.
- b. Alerting Reports. An alerting report is promptly made and should include pertinent data that is readily obtained together with a general appraisal of local conditions although data from all precipitation or index gaging stations may not be available. Whenever any of the following conditions occur, the manager will immediately notify RCC:

- (1) <u>Precipitation</u>. Occurrence of 1-inch precipitation or other amount as indicated by RCC during any 24-hour period at Barre Falls Dam.
- (2) <u>Reservoir Stages</u>. A reservoir stage of 776 feet msl and rising during the nonfreezing season or 780 feet and rising during the freezing season at Barre Falls Dam.
- c. <u>Supplemental Reports</u>. Supplemental radio (or telephone) reports are made to RCC by the manager either following instructions from RCC or if it appears that flood conditions might develop in the watershed as the result of meltiing snow, ice jams, dam failures or heavy localized rainfall. The time and frequency of these reports are dependent upon the severity of conditions and specific instructions from RCC. Plate G-49 shows a typical reporting log, indicating the data to be included in reports by the project manager during flood periods. The following information is included in the flood report to RCC.
- (1) <u>Precipitation at Dam</u>. The total amount of precipitation which has fallen up to the time of reporting and several intermediate amounts with times of observation, as indicated by RCC.
- (2) Reservoir Stage. The pool stage at time of reporting and several previous readings with corresponding times to determine the rate of rise and define the inflow hydrograph. Accurate readings of stage and time are essential to facilitate computation of inflow (see plates G-50 through G-52).
- (3) <u>Gate Positions</u>. Gate openings and discharges at time of reporting and at beginning of storm. Any gate changes since preceding report should be included with corresponding stage and discharge.
- (4) <u>Precipitation Reports from Observers</u>. Rainfall data received from watershed observers.
- (5) <u>River Stages</u>. Ware and Chicopee River stages with times of observations from gages at Coldbrook Diversion, Barre Plains, and Indian Orchard as requested by RCC.
- (6) Snow Cover. General snow cover which may affect runoff conditions throughout the basin.
- (7) <u>Miscellaneous Data</u>. Any other information which might be pertinent such as temperature, etc.
- d. Special Reports. A special report is submitted by the manager to RCC whenever unusual circumstances occur during a flood or as requested by RCC. The report may be written in longhand and should describe the subjects outlined below if appropriate.

- (1) Observations at Dam. The manager makes general observations of conditions occurring at the outlet works as listed on the following page. The observations are entered in the log book at the dam. If possible, photographs are taken of any unusual conditions, noting data, time, reservoir gage heights and position of the gates. Observations which should be reported to RCC are:
- (a) Extent and action of eddies, waves or whirlpools in the vicinity of the conduit intakes and portals.
- (b) Extent and action of turbulence or eddies downstream of the spillway and outlet works.
- (c) Effect on flow through the gates due to an accumulation of ice or debris at the intake.
- (d) Pool elevation and position of gates where gate vibration or whirlpools develop.
- (e) Any seepage noting time, pool stage, and color of discharge. Embankment sloughing which may appear at the downstream sides of the dam or dikes should also be reported.
- (f) Any other unusual hydraulic phenomena that may occur.

Observations at Conant Brook will be made by the Westville Lake project manager at the request of RCC.

- (2) Observations at Downstream Control Points. During periods of reservoir impoundments, particularly while emptying the reservoir, reconnaissance of downstream conditions is made by either the project manager or his assistant upon specific authorization from RCC. This is done to obtain further flood data in the downstream damage areas or index points along the Ware, Chicopee or Connecticut Rivers.
- e. Snow Survey Reports. Snow courses have been established at selected locations within the upper watershed (table G-5). Weekly surveys are made by the managers during winter and early spring to determine the depth of snow and equivalent water content. Dates for surveys are determined each year by RCC so as to correspond with monthly bulletins of the U.S. Geological Survey and supplemental data from State agencies and power companies. The reports contain the name of the station, snow depth and water equivalent. Average, maximum and minimum water equivalent of snow cover in the Chicopee River watershed are shown on plate G-28.

f. Northeast River Forecast Center Reports. The project manager at Barre Falls Dam will make a daily telephone call at 0815 hours to the Northeast River Forecast Center (NERFC) to report hydrologic and climatologic conditions at the dam. The following parameters will be reported on a daily basis:

Dam Depth of new snow Date Total depth of snow

Time of observation Temperature - max. preceding 24 hours Precipitation (24 hours) Temperature - min. preceding 24 hours

Present weather Temperature - current

The above data is used to develop a Chicopee River headwater statement. The statement, transmitted by NERFC to RCC twice weekly, gives the amount of rainfall in six hours required to produce runoff varying from .25 to 5 inches into Corps reservoirs.

#### 22. SPECIAL ADVISORIES

In accordance with regulations set forth in EM 550-1-1, "Domestic Emergency Operations", and the "Guidance Memorandum, Reservoir Control Center", special advisories from RCC on flood potential and progress of all threatening storms are submitted to the Division Engineer and to the Chief of Engineering and Operations Divisions. Flood reports are also prepared for OCE by RCC.

#### 23. MAINTENANCE OF LOG

All reports, instructions, records of unusual circumstances at the dam, and information pertinent to regulation of the reservoir are entered in the logs (plate G-49). Logs are maintained by the project managers and Reservoir Control Center.

#### 24. GATE OPERATION RECORD

All gate operations are carefully noted on NED Form 90 (plate G-53) and submitted bimonthly to RCC. All operations are noted regardless of the duration of the change in gate position. The report includes data and time of day, reservoir stage, outflow, precipitation, gate opening, tailwater reading and remarks column. RCC personnel utilize the Form 90's in the preparation of the monthly charts of reservoir regulation, which serve as permanent records of reservoir regulation. Form 90's are also utilized in the preparation of yearly reservoir regulation exhibits for the RCC Annual Report, which is forwarded to OCE, NED personnel, other agencies, and the public.

#### CHAPTER V

#### HYDROLOGIC FORECASTS

#### 25. NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE

- a. Weather Forecasts. The National Weather Service in Boston, Massachusetts is responsible for issuing daily weather forecasts for public dissemination through the news media. These reports are received at RCC approximately four times each day on the Weather Service teletype loop.
- b. <u>Precipitation Forecasts</u>. In addition to the normal weather forecasts, quantitative precipitation forecasts are received daily by RCC. Supplemental weather information and forecasts prior to or during floods are made available upon request.
- c. <u>River Forecasts</u>. The Northeast River Forecast Center at Bloomfield, Connecticut is responsible for preparing and disseminating flood forecasts for the Connecticut River and some of the principal tributaries. Flood forecasts in the Connecticut River basin are listed for the following locations:

Connecticut River at N. Stratford, New Hampshire
Connecticut River at Dalton, New Hampshire
Connecticut River at Wells River, Vermont
Connecticut River at White River Jct, Vermont
Connecticut River at N. Walpole, Vermont
Connecticut River at Montague City, Massachusetts
Connecticut River at Thompsonville, Connecticut
Connecticut River at Hartford, Connecticut
Connecticut River at Bodkin Rock, Connecticut
Passumpsic River at Passumpsic, New Hampshire
Ammonoosuc River at Bath, New Hampshire
White River at West Hartford, Vermont
Chicopee River at Indian Orchard, Massachusetts
Farmington River at Rainbow, Connecticut

#### 26. CORPS OF ENGINEERS

a. Chicopee River Forecasts. During flood periods in the Chicopee River watershed, Barre Falls Dam is principally operated to provide protection to communities downstream on the Ware River. Experience at Barre Falls has shown that regulating for a stage of 2.5 feet at the Barre Plains gage (peak travel time from the dam - 5 to 7 hours) during the growing season and 5.5 feet during the nongrowing season will adequately protect these communities.

While regulating Barre Falls when the Coldbrook intake is diverting, consideration should be given to the effects these diversions have on releases from Barre Falls. Peak flow travel time from Barre Falls to Coldbrook is 3 to 4 hours.

During high flows, the travel time of releases from Barre Falls to the Chicopee River at Indian Orchard is about 21 hours. As a result of this extensive travel time and the large intervening drainage area between the dam and Indian Orchard, the effects of regulation at Barre Falls will usually be minimal along the Chicopee River.

Therefore, considering that releases from Barre Falls are governed by stages at Barre Plains and that they have little effect on the Chicopee River, it has not been considered necessary to develop specific flood forecasting procedures for the Chicopee River watershed. In addition, RCC continually receives weather, quantitative precipitation and flood forecasts from the National Weather Service and data from the automatic hydrologic radio network and the other 25 manned dams.

b. <u>Future Flood Forecasts</u>. In December 1971, the Reservoir Control Center requested the Hydrologic Engineering Center to develop a flood forecasting technique for the Merrimack River basin based on "real time" data collected from the Automatic Radio Reporting Network, flood control dams and other sources. This technique has been developed for in-house use and further refinement, and may be utilized in developing forecast procedures for the Connecticut River basin.

#### CHAPTER VII

#### HYDROLOGIC EQUIPMENT

#### 40. PRECIPITATION GAGE

A standard weighing and recording NWS precipitation gage has been installed at Barre Falls Dam and serves as a supplement to other NWS rainfall stations within or in the vicinity of the Chicopee River watershed.

The project manager or his assistant should check this gage daily to determine if it is operating properly and also to record any precipitation occurrence in the last 24 hours.

#### 41. RESERVOIR STAGE RECORDER

The automatic float-operated water level recorder at Barre Falls traces the water level in the reservoir at all times. Recording instruments should be checked each morning to assure the clock is keeping correct time and the pen is tracing properly. Any discrepancies in the record as evidenced by the pen time or gage heights should be noted on the chart and the instrument reset. During periods of reservoir storage, the outside tile or staff gage should be read to check tape readings and/or chart records. Should the recorder become inoperable, the USGS should be notified and arrangements made to repair the instrument; RCC should also be notified.

The chart record should be changed the first working day of each month at Barre Falls and the following information noted in ink at the beginning and end of each chart:

Outside (tile) gage reading
Pen gage height reading
Watch time
Pen time
Date and name of dam

Conant Brook dam is equipped with a bubble gage recorder which continuously measures and records the pool levels. This gage is housed in a concrete structure on top of the dam. The Project Manager of Westville Lake checks this recorder weekly and replaces the pool chart monthly. Pool charts from Conant Brook are sent to RCC for use in preparing monthly pool charts and then returned to Westville Dam where they are kept on file.

#### 42. TAILWATER GAGING STATIONS

A remote recorder at the USGS gage immediately downstream of Barre Falls at Barre, transmits river stages directly to the dam. This gage is equipped with a digital-type water stage recorder and is operated and maintained under a cooperative stream gaging program with the USGS and hence provides a continuous official record of releases from the project. It is essential that this gage be checked frequently to assure proper operation. If inspection indicates a need for repair, the USGS should be notified immediately and arrangements made to have the equipment repaired.

#### 43. TELEPHONE TRANSMITTER (TELEMARK)

The telephone transmitter on the Chicopee River at Indian Orchard is used for regulation in the Chicopee River watershed. The project manager of Barre Falls calls the gage at Indian Orchard as part of the normal weekly report. During failure of communications, the Barre Falls project manager should also consider stages at the Indian Orchard gage. Should the telemark become inoperable during the weekly check, the project manager should visit the gage. If the trouble cannot be determined the telephone company should be requested to check their circuits in the presence of the project manager. If the telemark still is not functioning by this time, the USGS should be notified. Batteries for equipment at these gaging stations will be furnished and installed by the USGS.

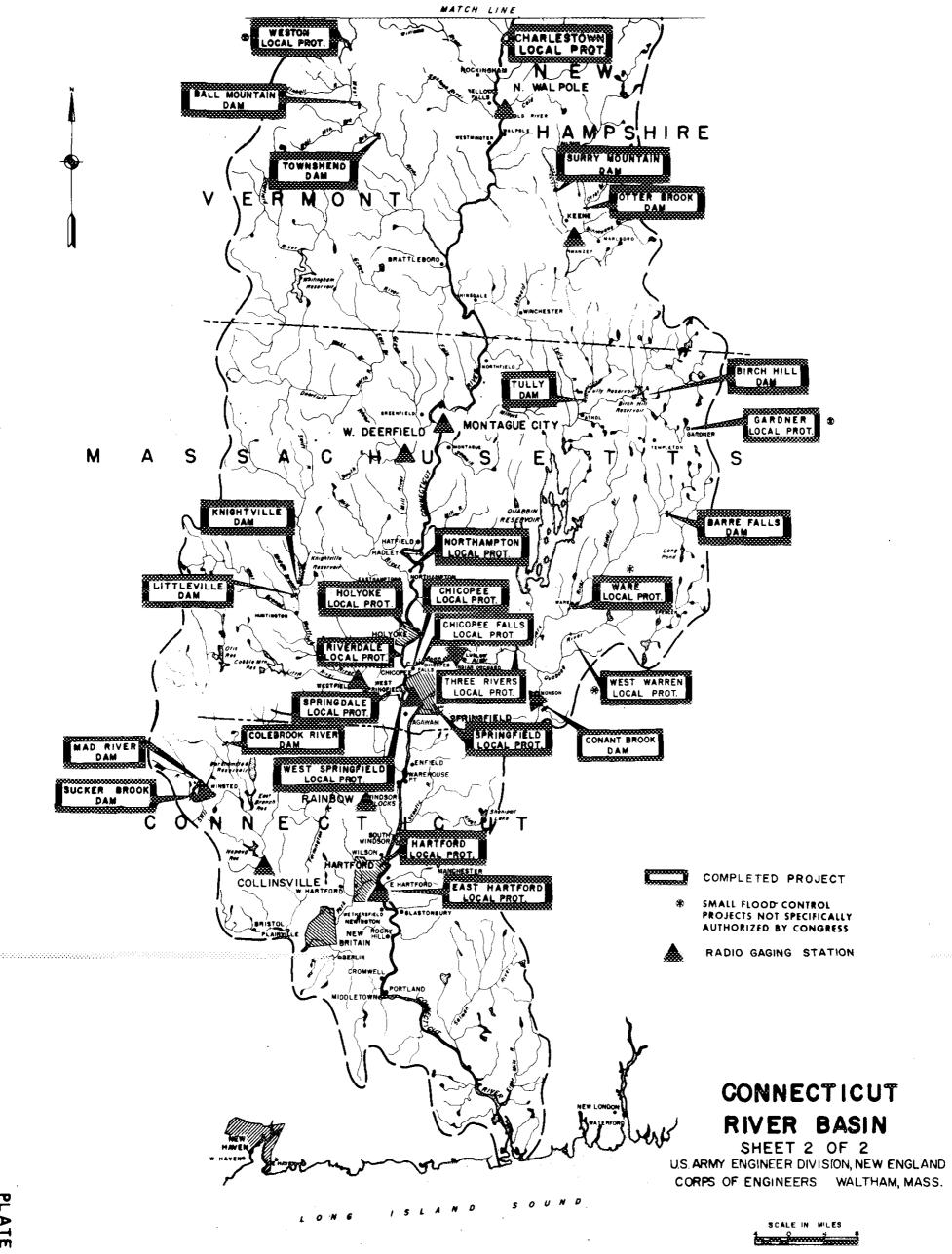
#### 44. SNOW SAMPLING SET

A snow sampling set has been assigned to the project manager at Barre Falls. Snow surveys in the Chicopee River watershed will be carried out by the project managers and their assistants from Barre Falls and East Brimfield Lake. Procedures for obtaining snow survey data should follow instructions set forth in "Snow Sampling Guide, Department of Agriculture, Handbook 1960". If given proper care, the only maintenance required would be occasional replacement of worn out cutterheads.

Snow surveys will normally be conducted from 15 January to 15 April or as long as RCC considers necessary. Prior preparation by the project manager should include inspection of the snow survey equipment and reconnaissance of the snow survey courses.

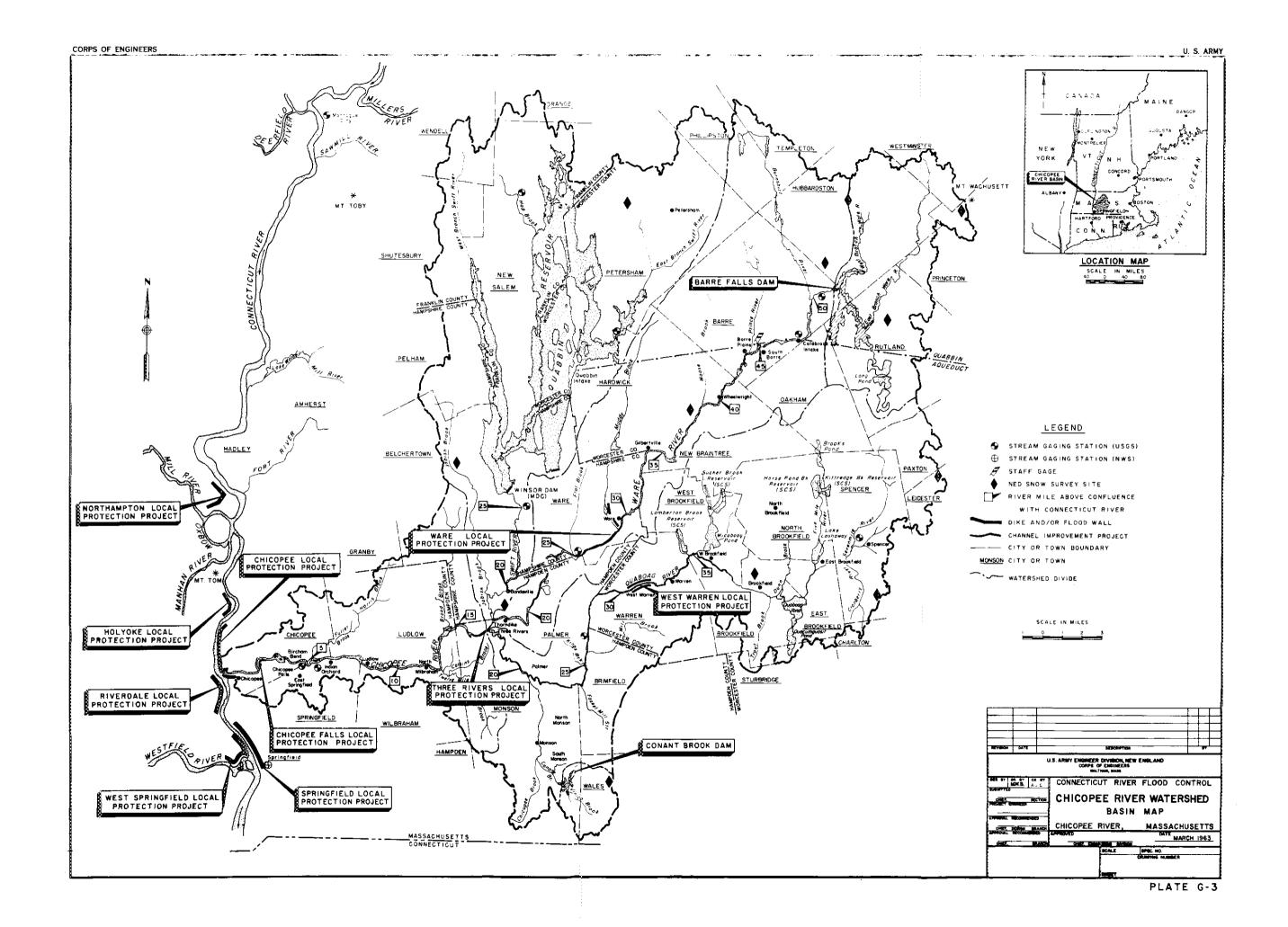
Full snow surveys will generally take place every other week to coincide with surveys by the Massachusetts Water Resources Commission, New Hampshire Water Resources Board and the New England Power Company. On alternate weeks, index snow surveys involving selected snow courses will be taken, to determine general conditions in the watershed.

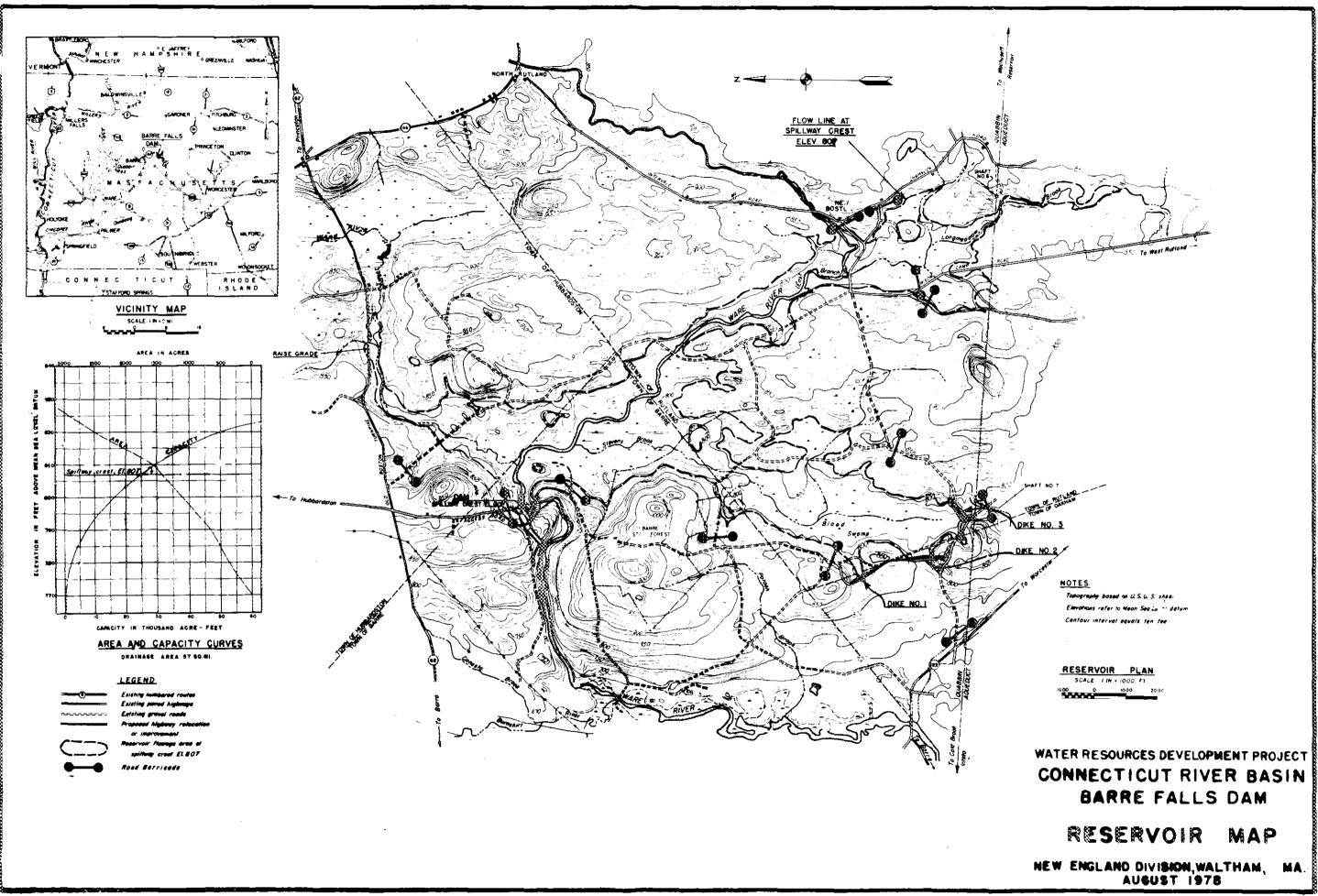
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PLATE G-2





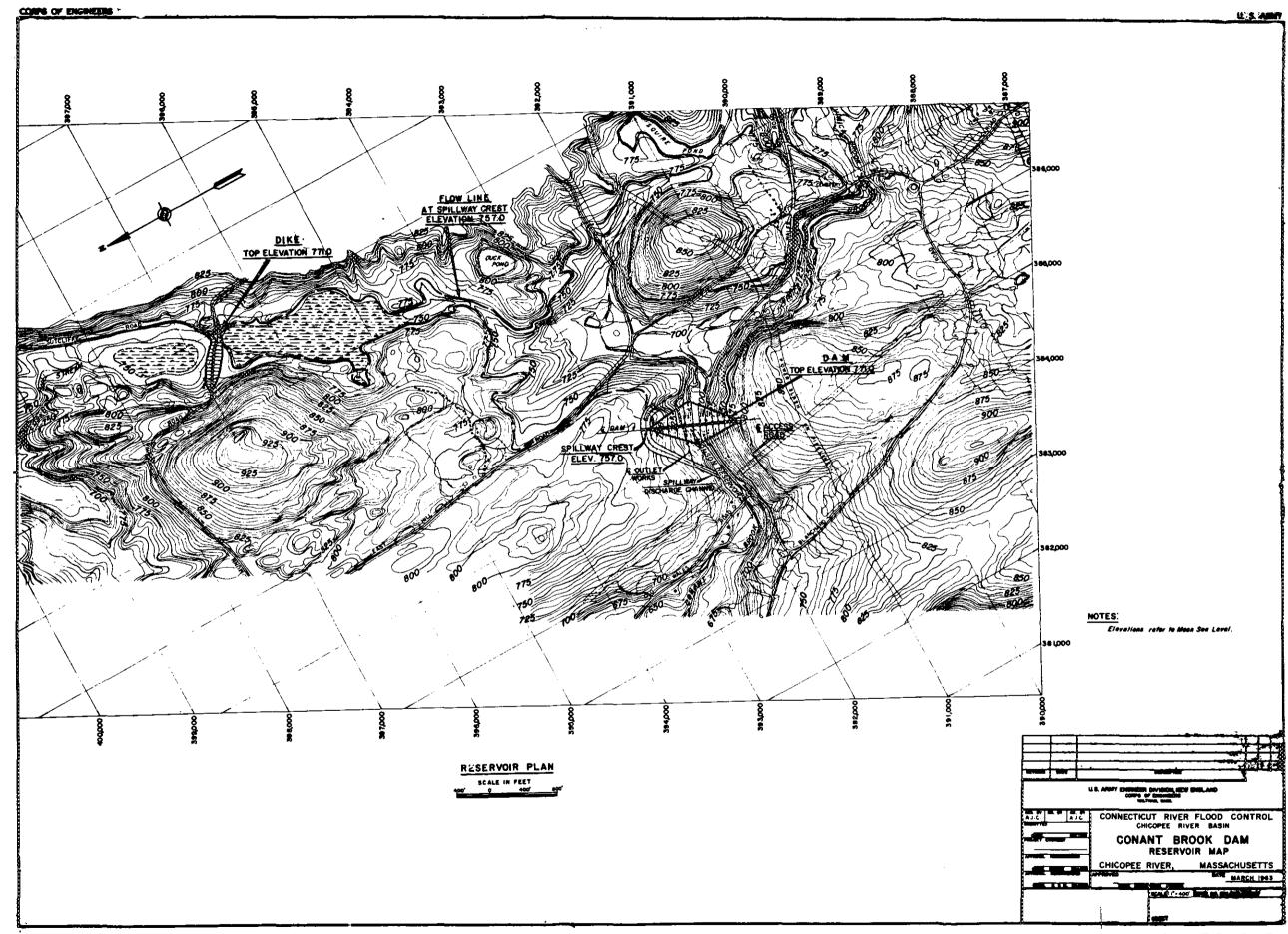
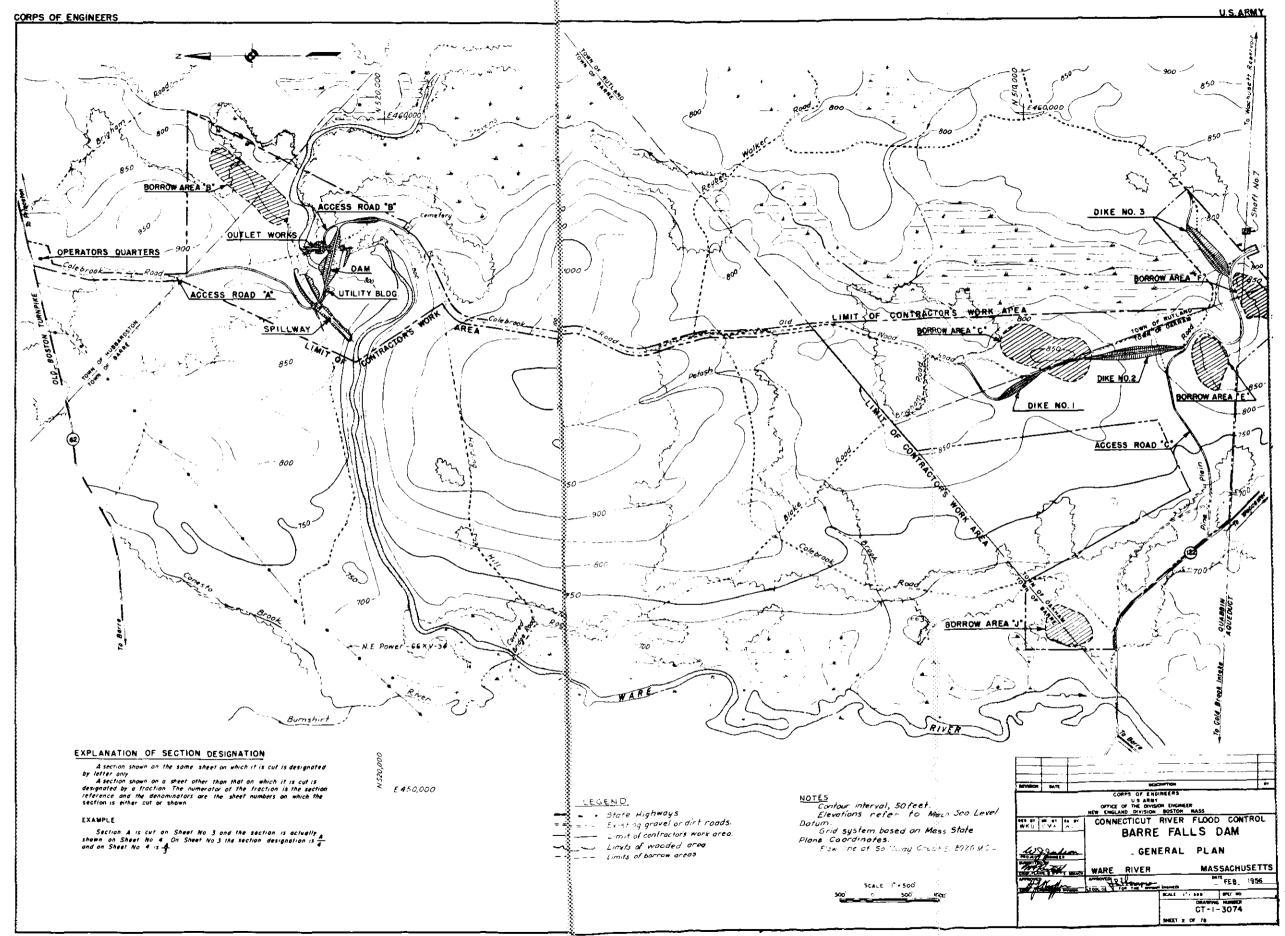
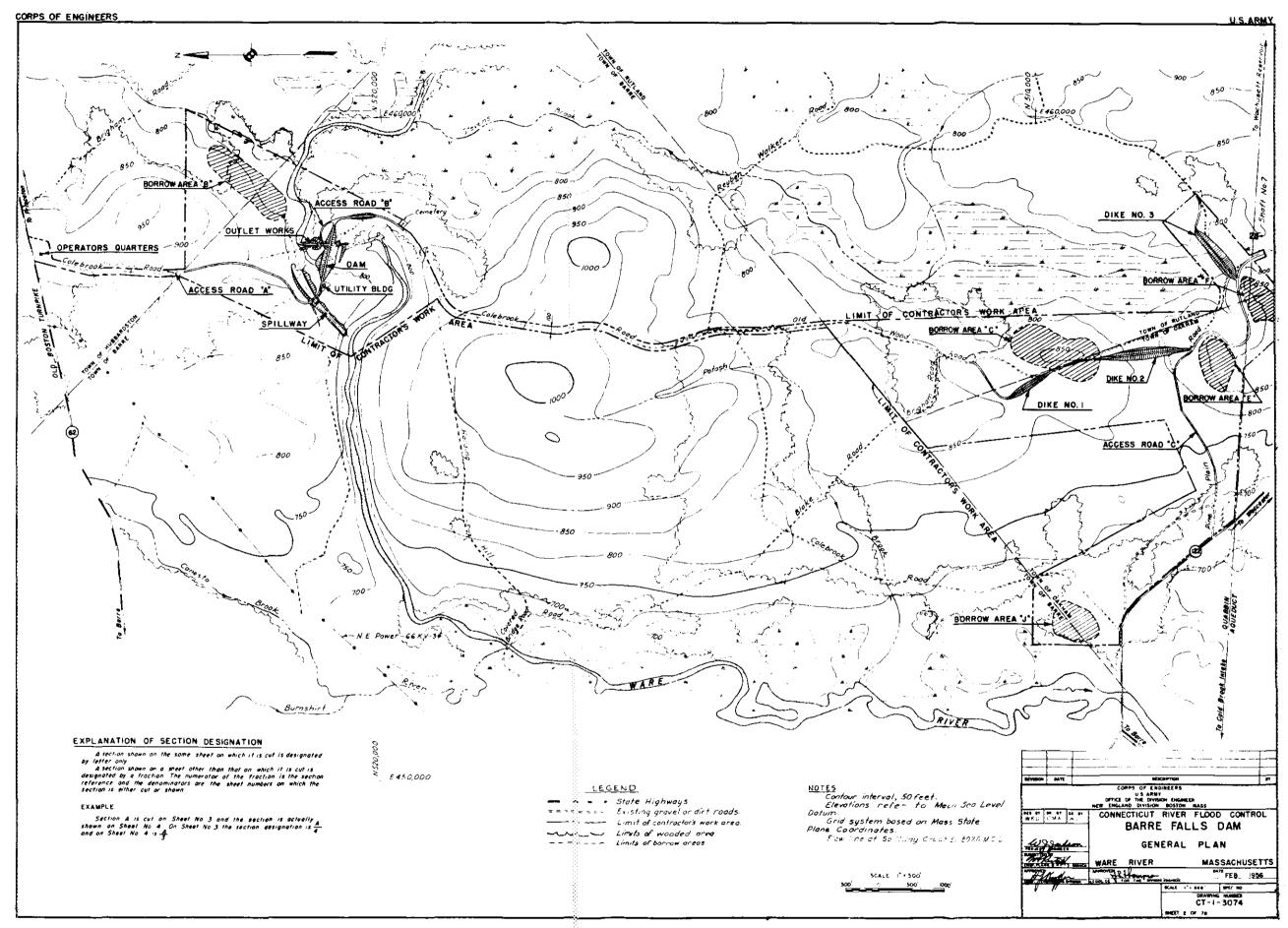
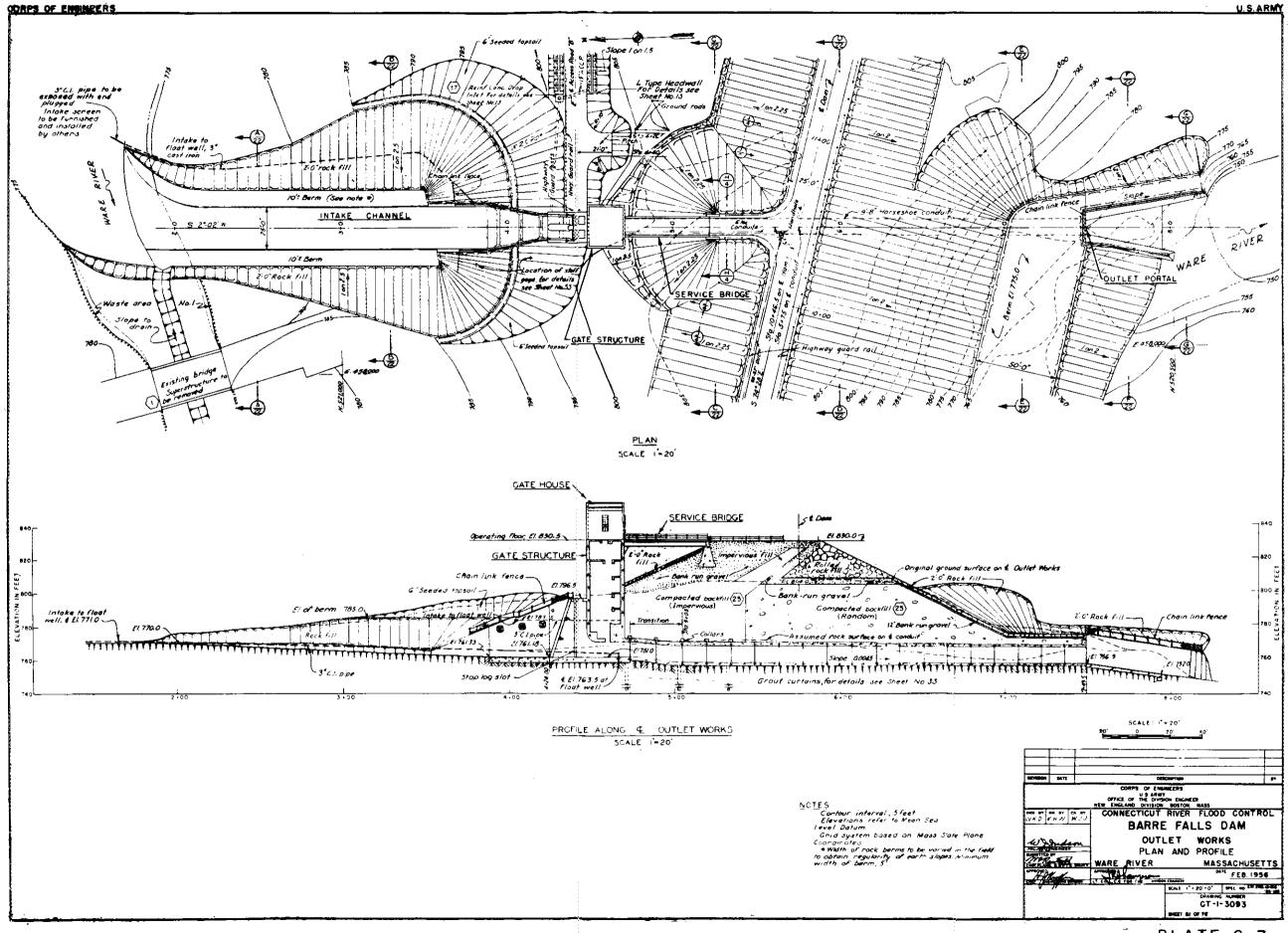


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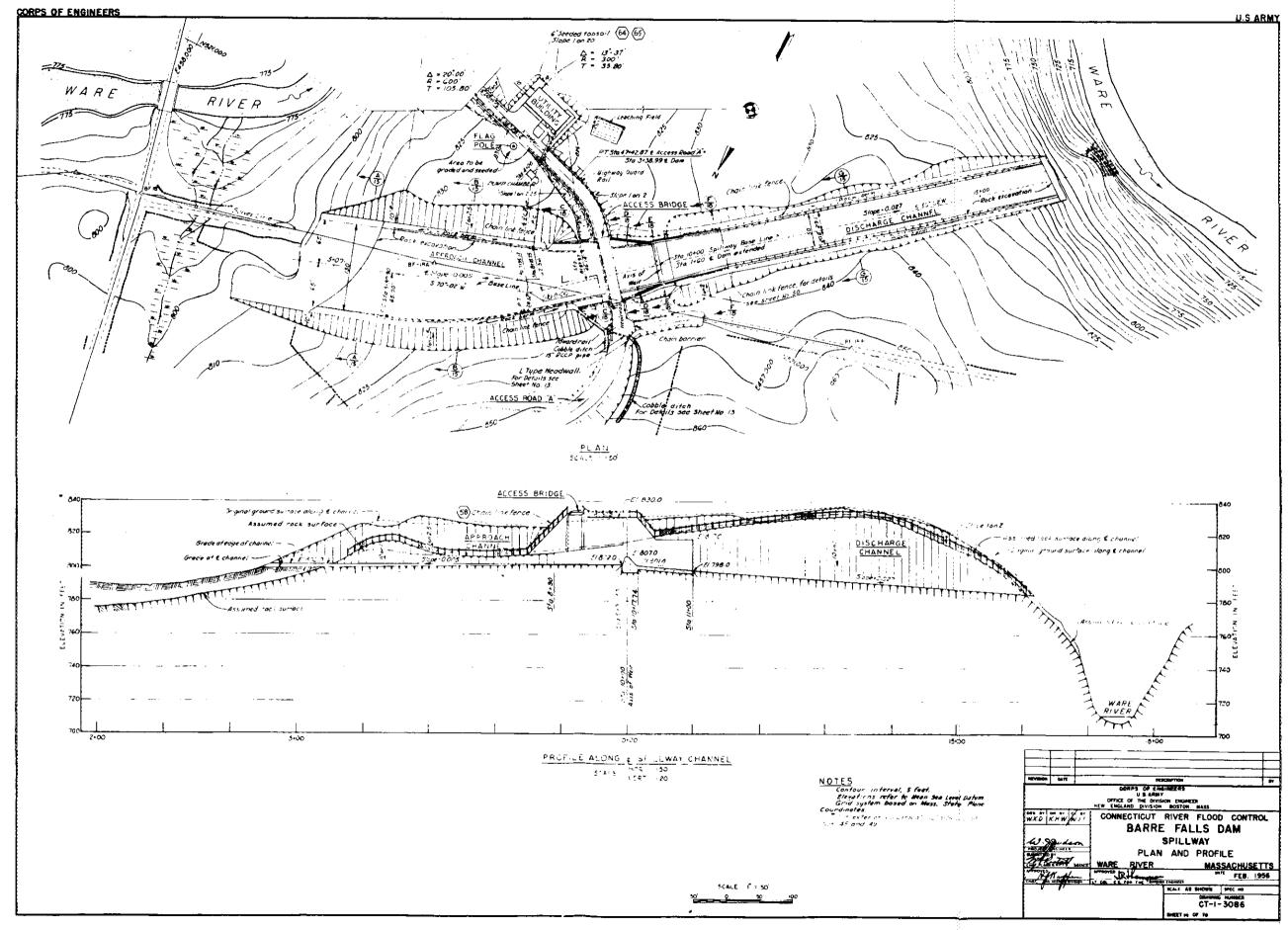
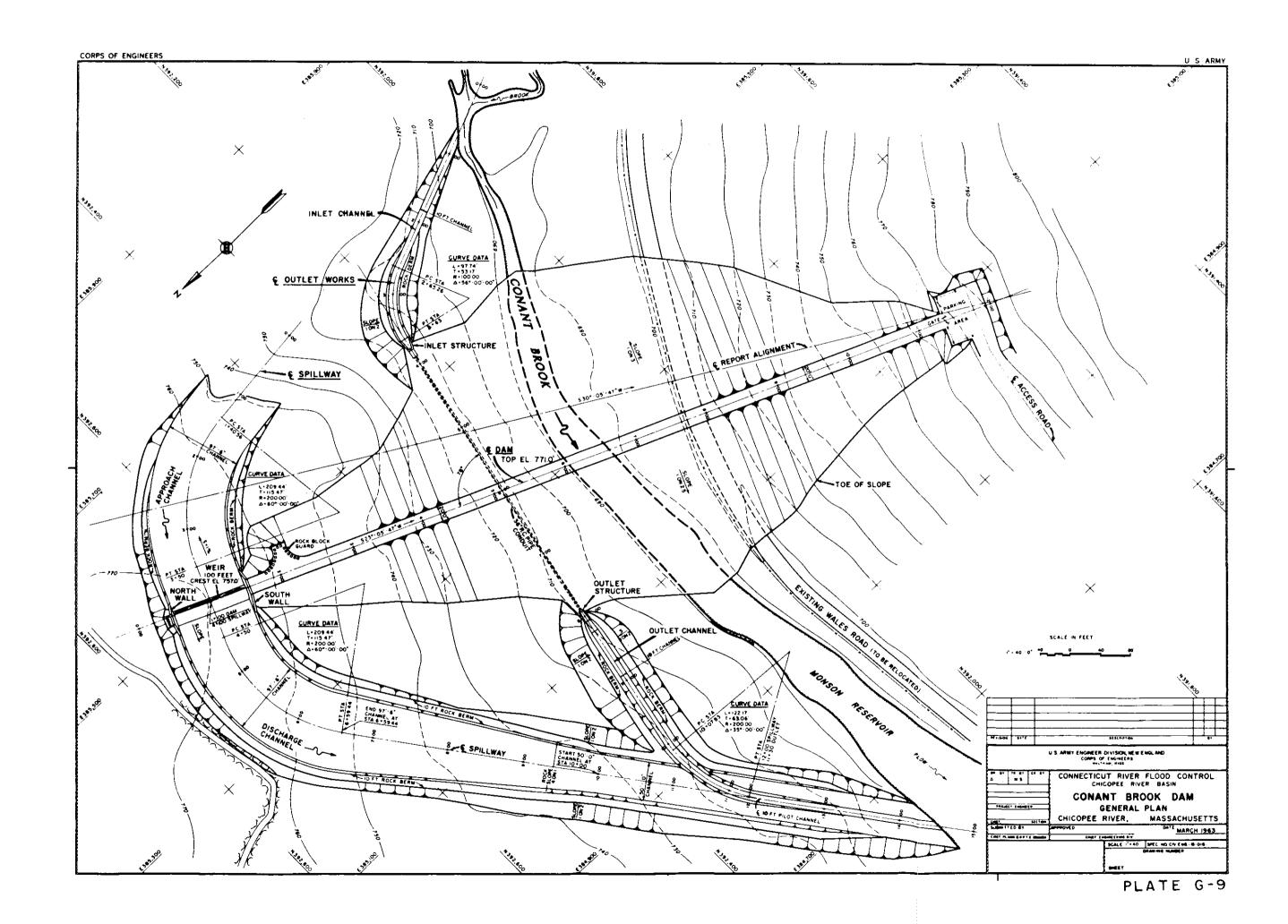
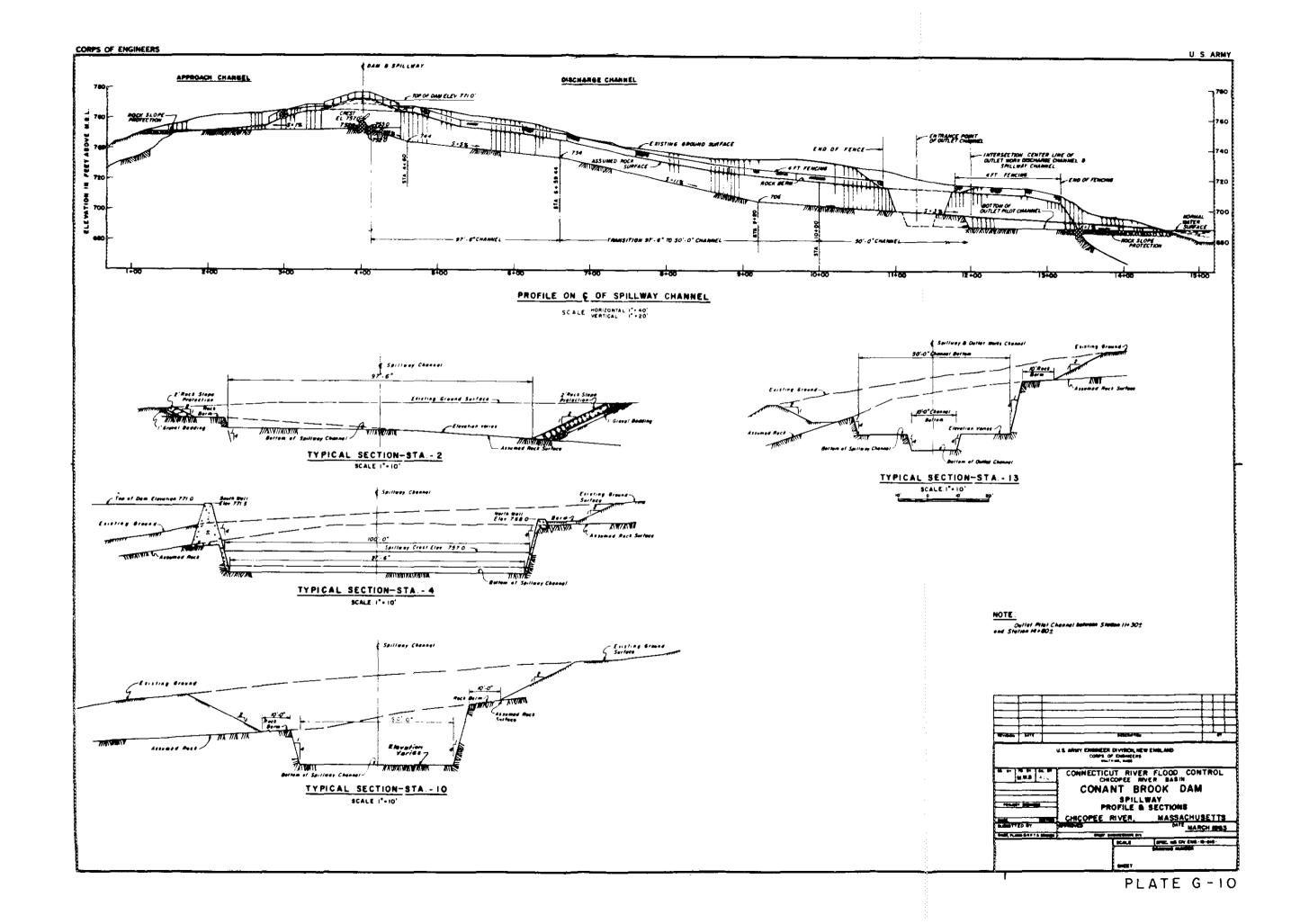
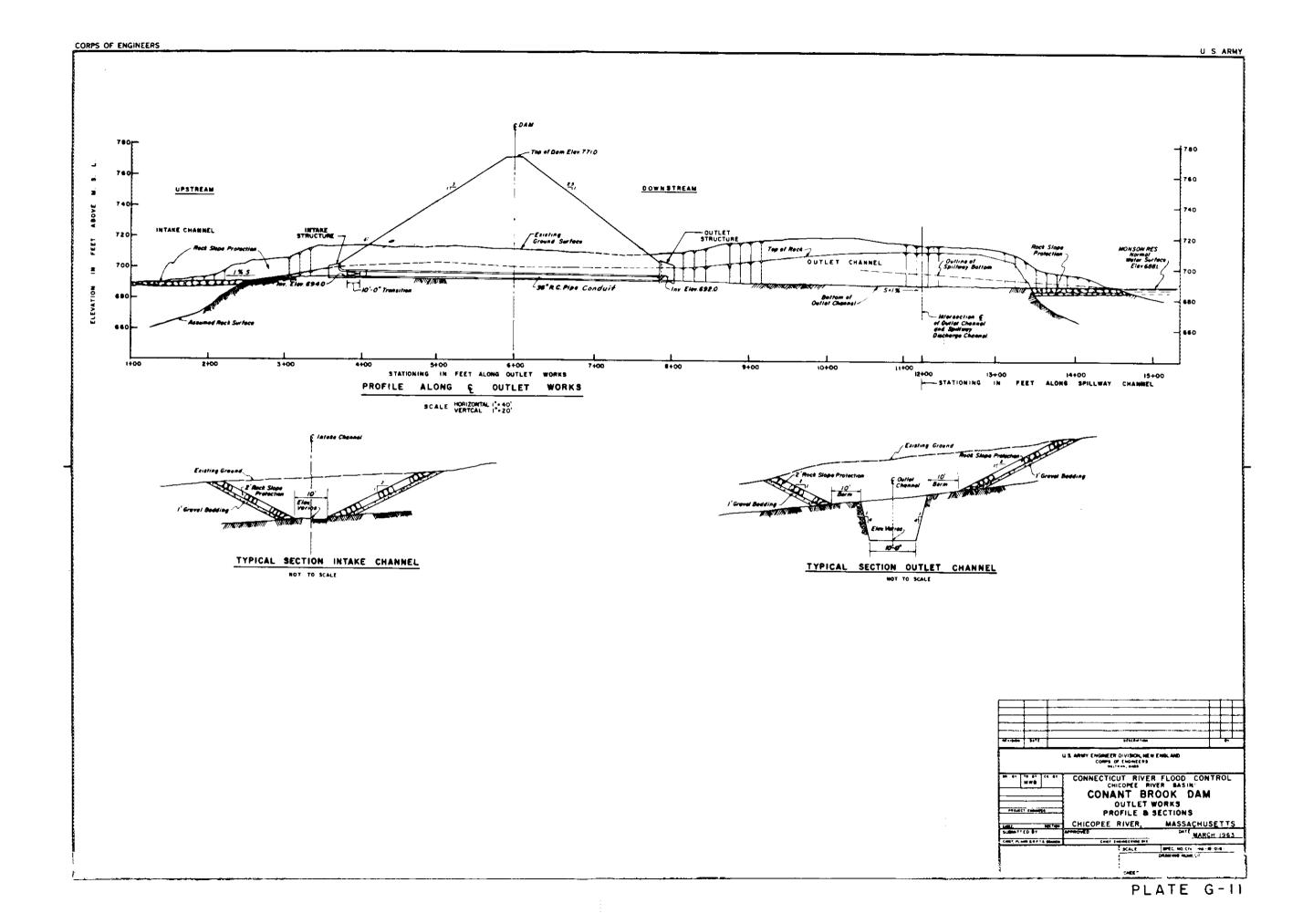


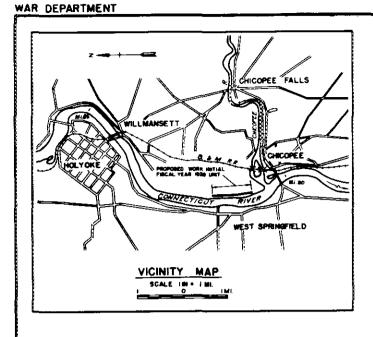
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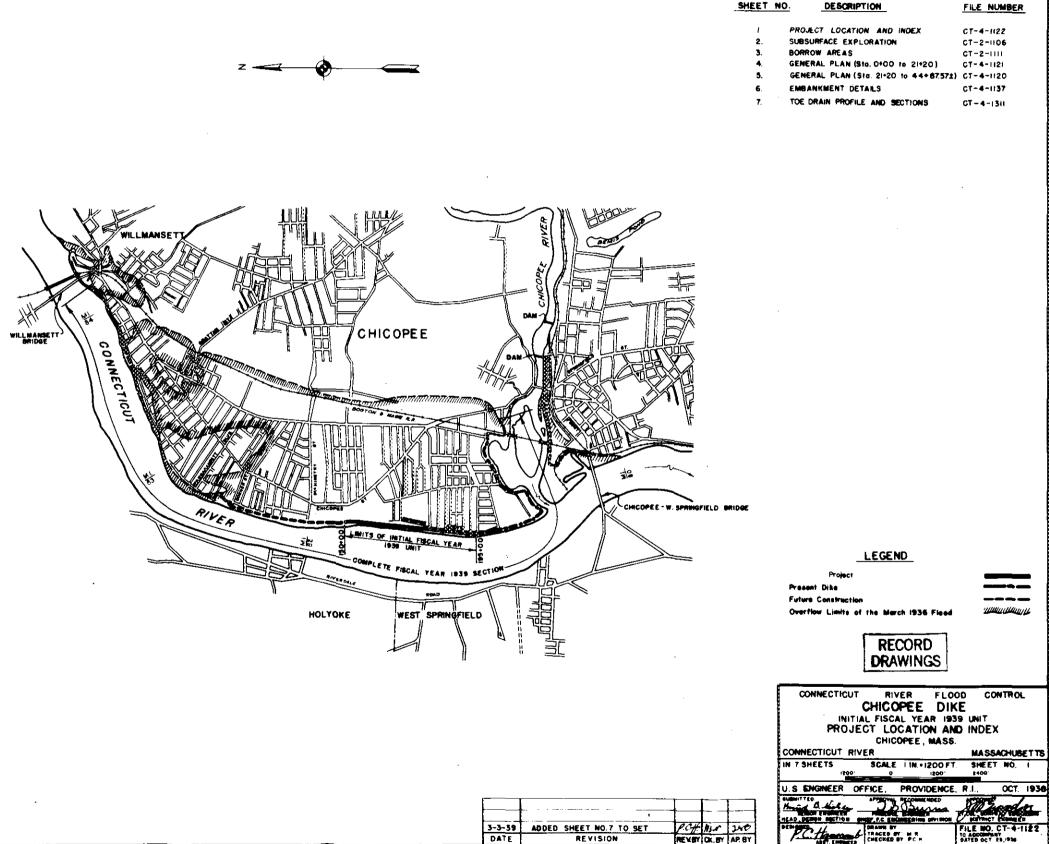


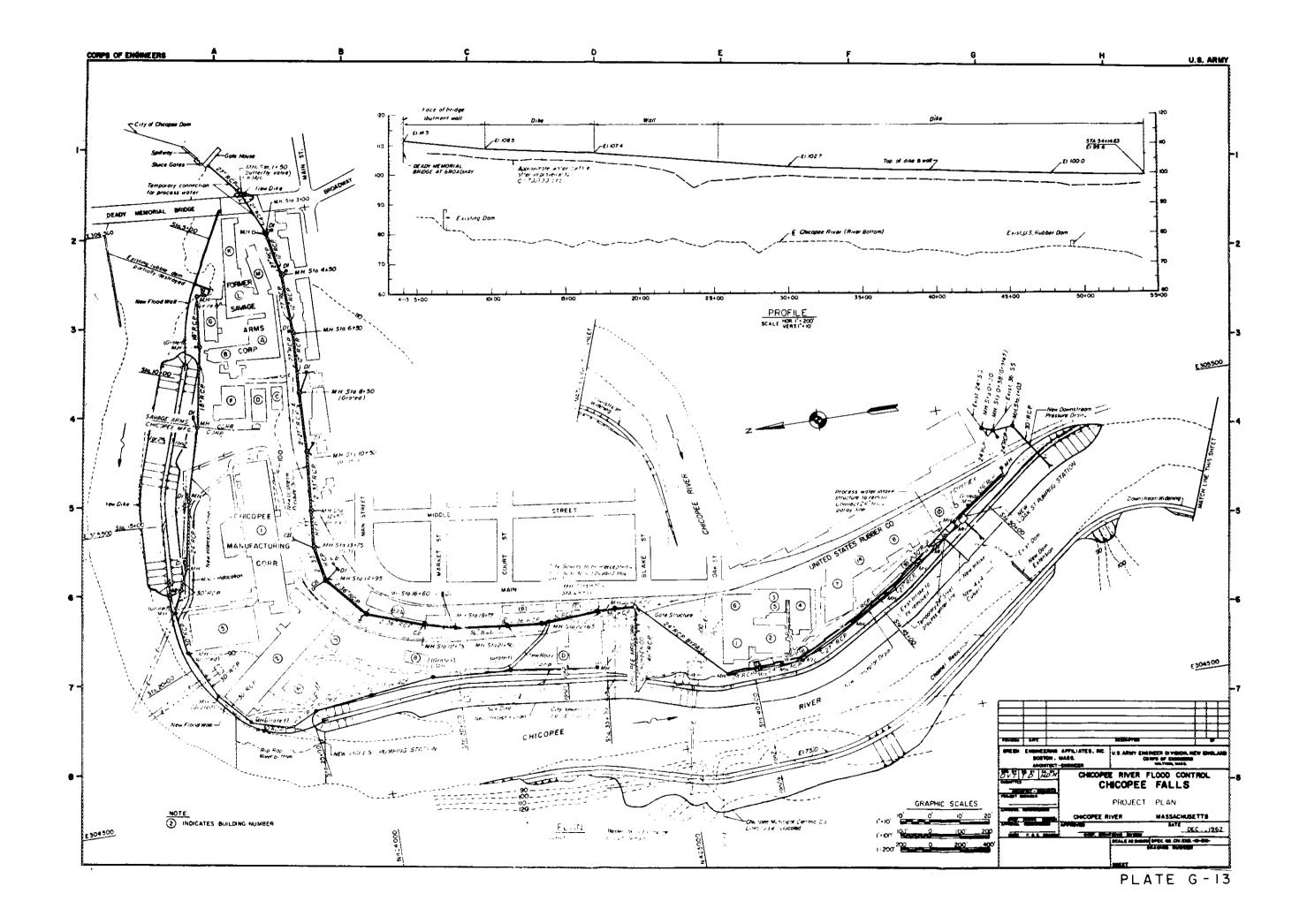


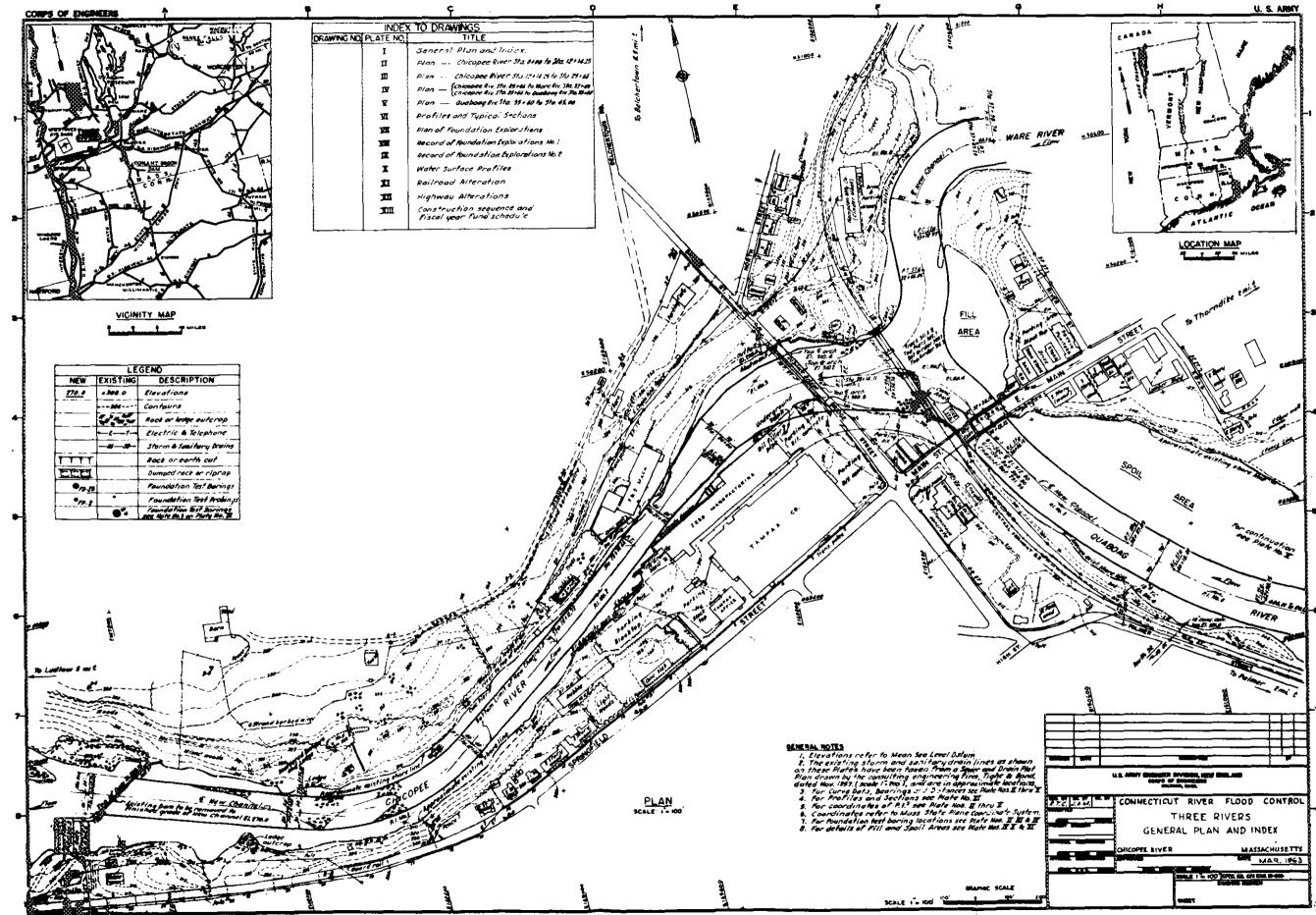


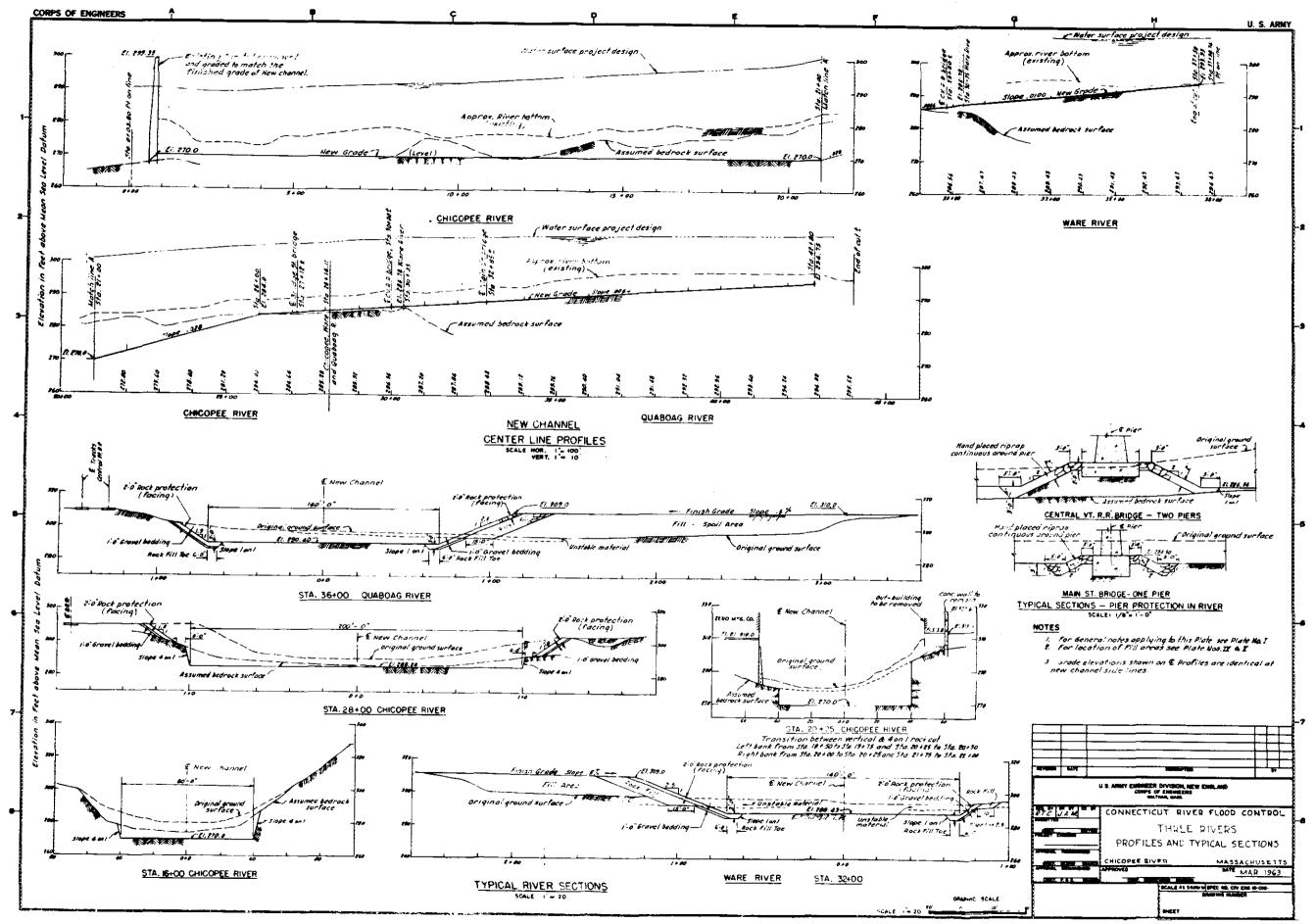












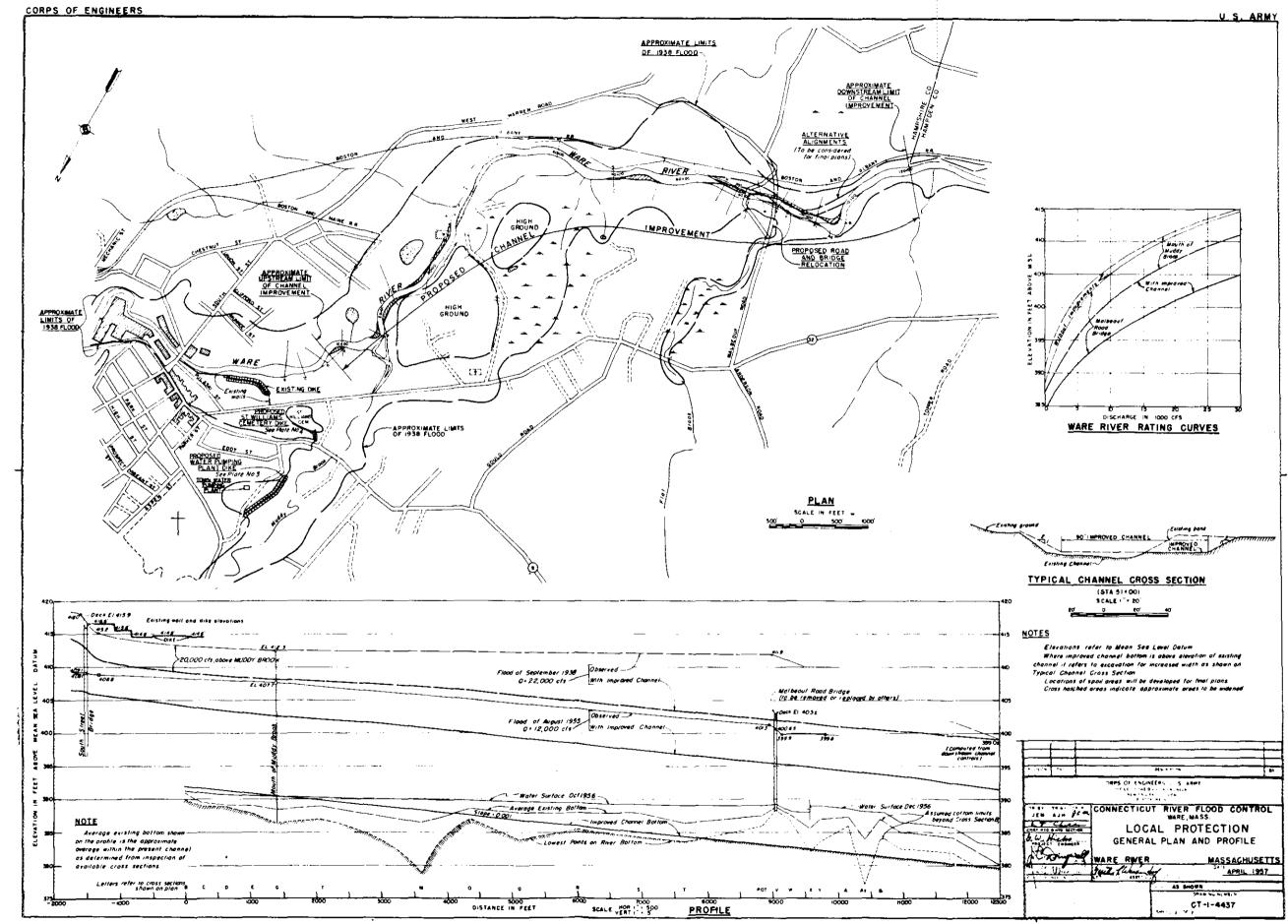
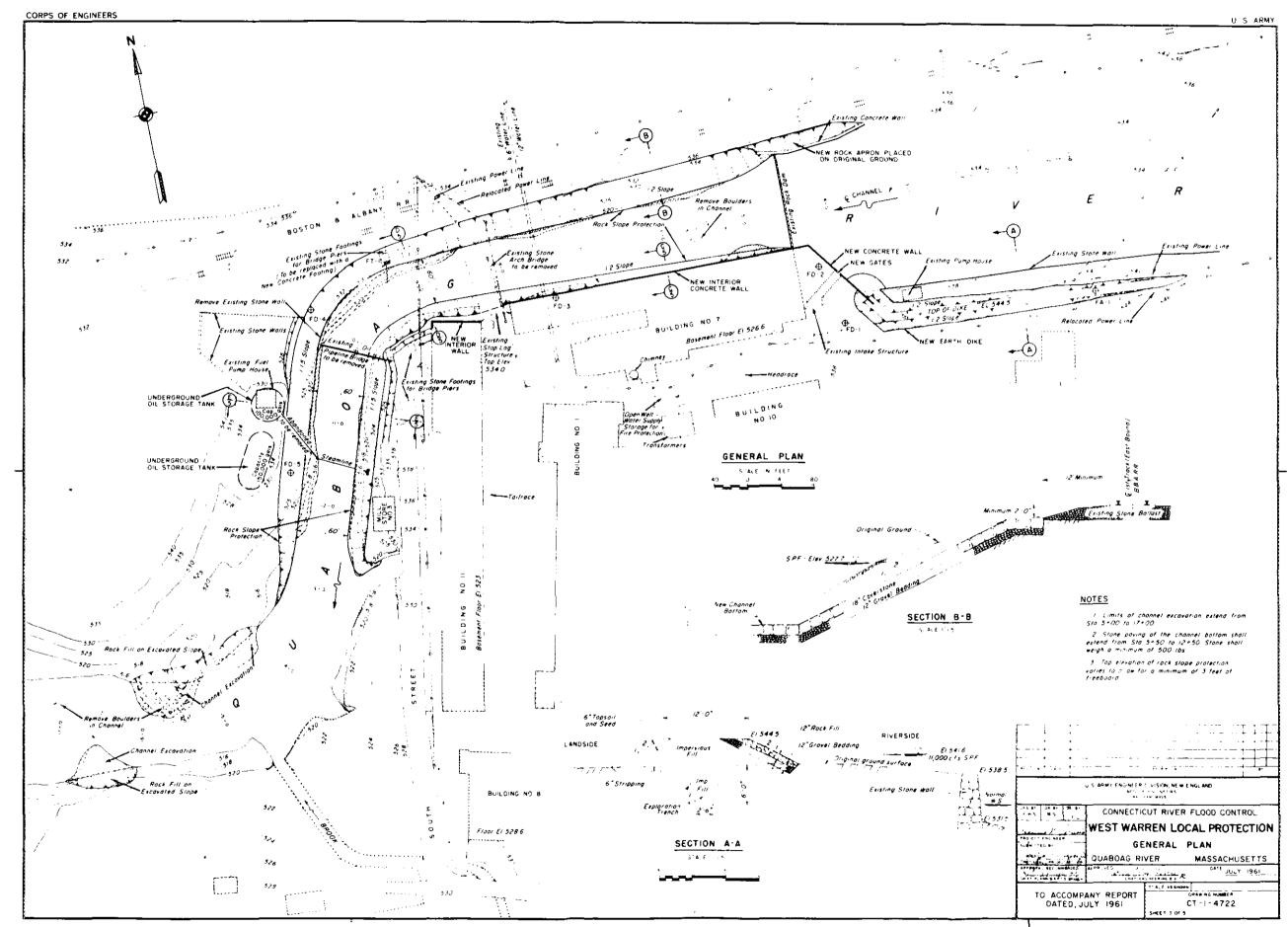
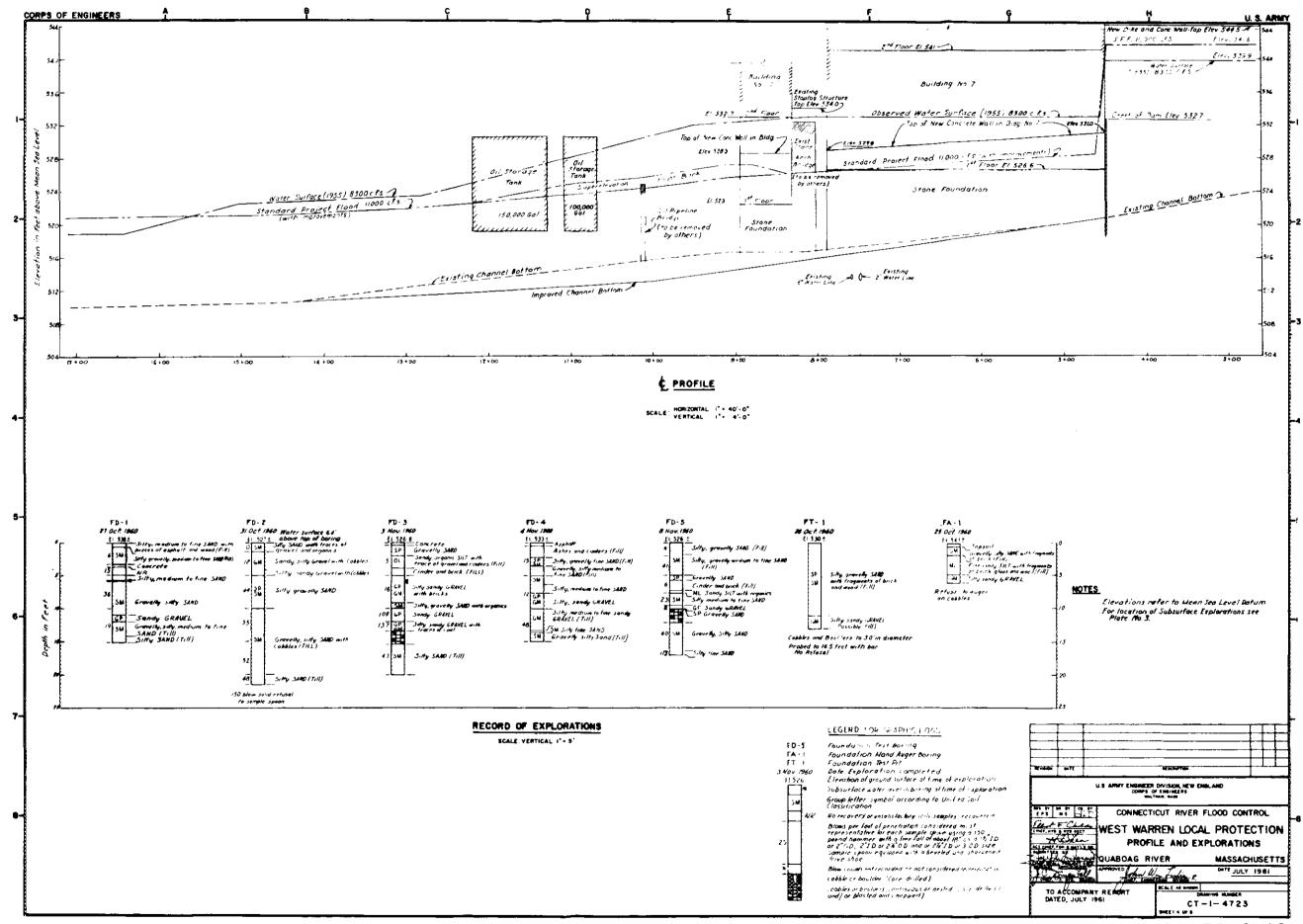
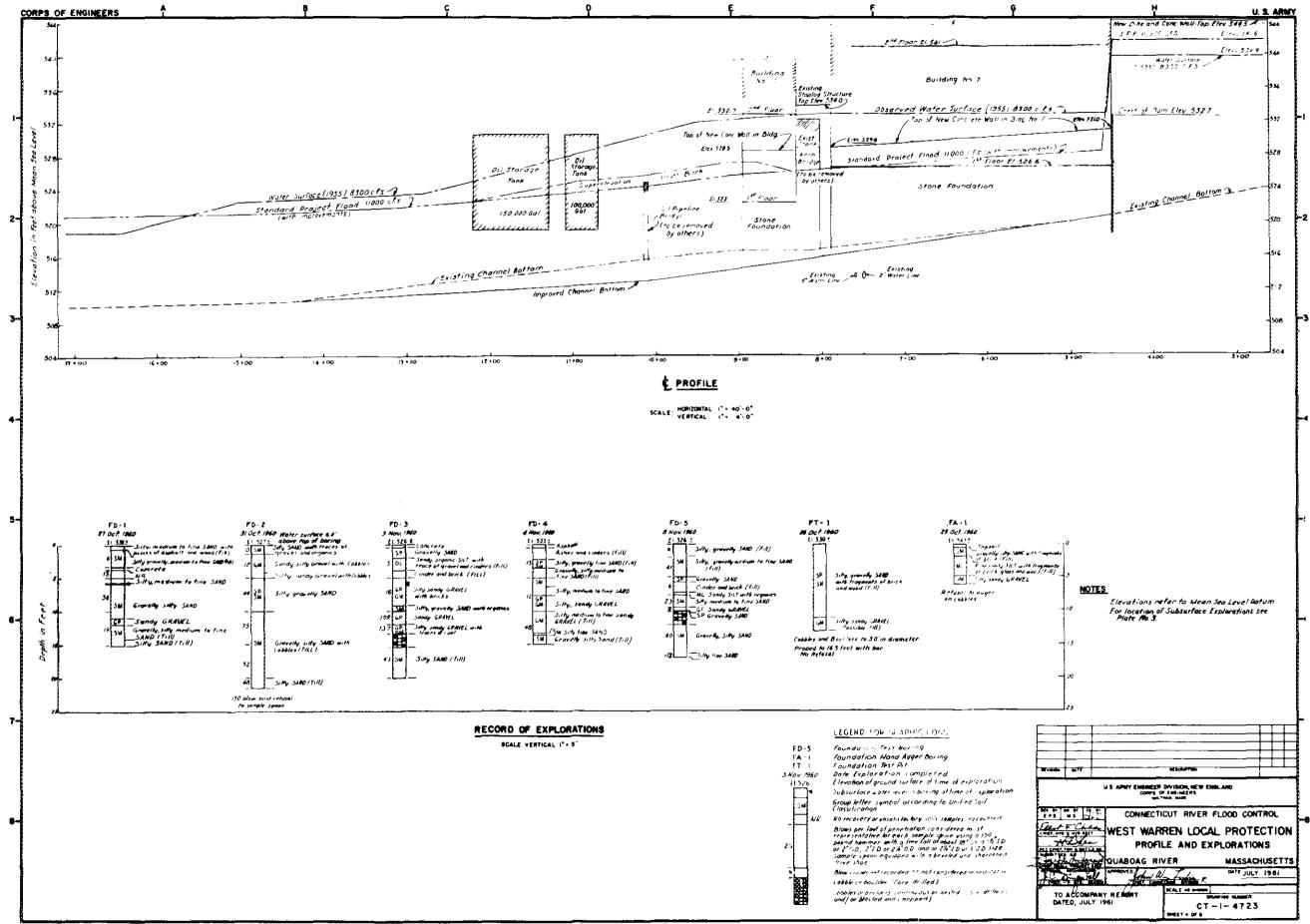
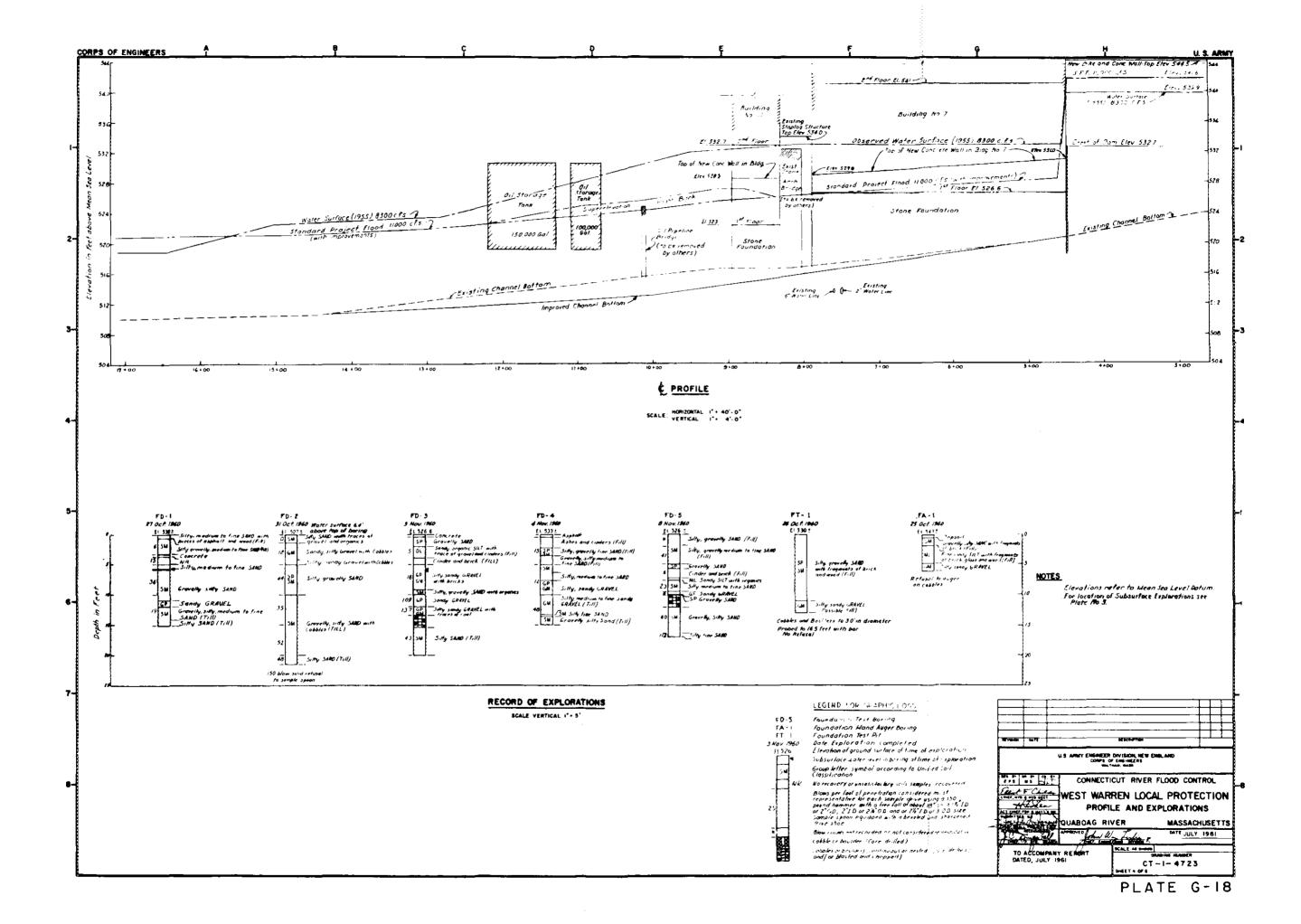


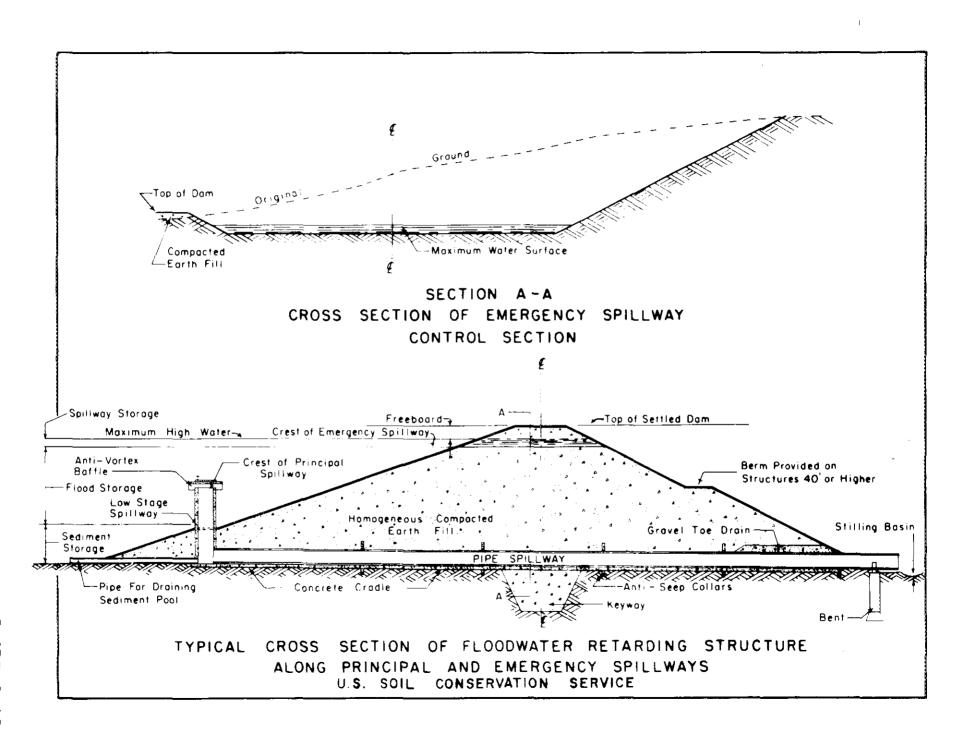
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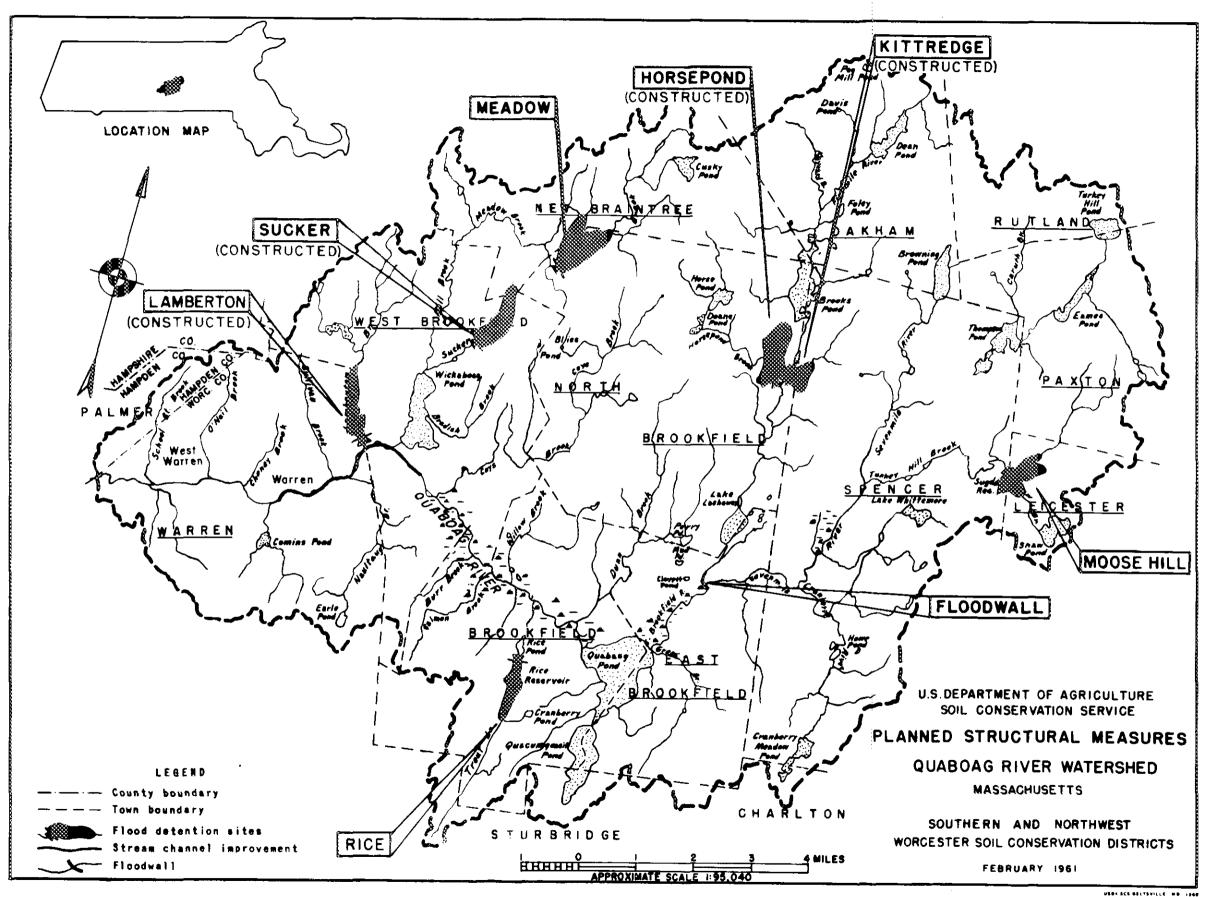


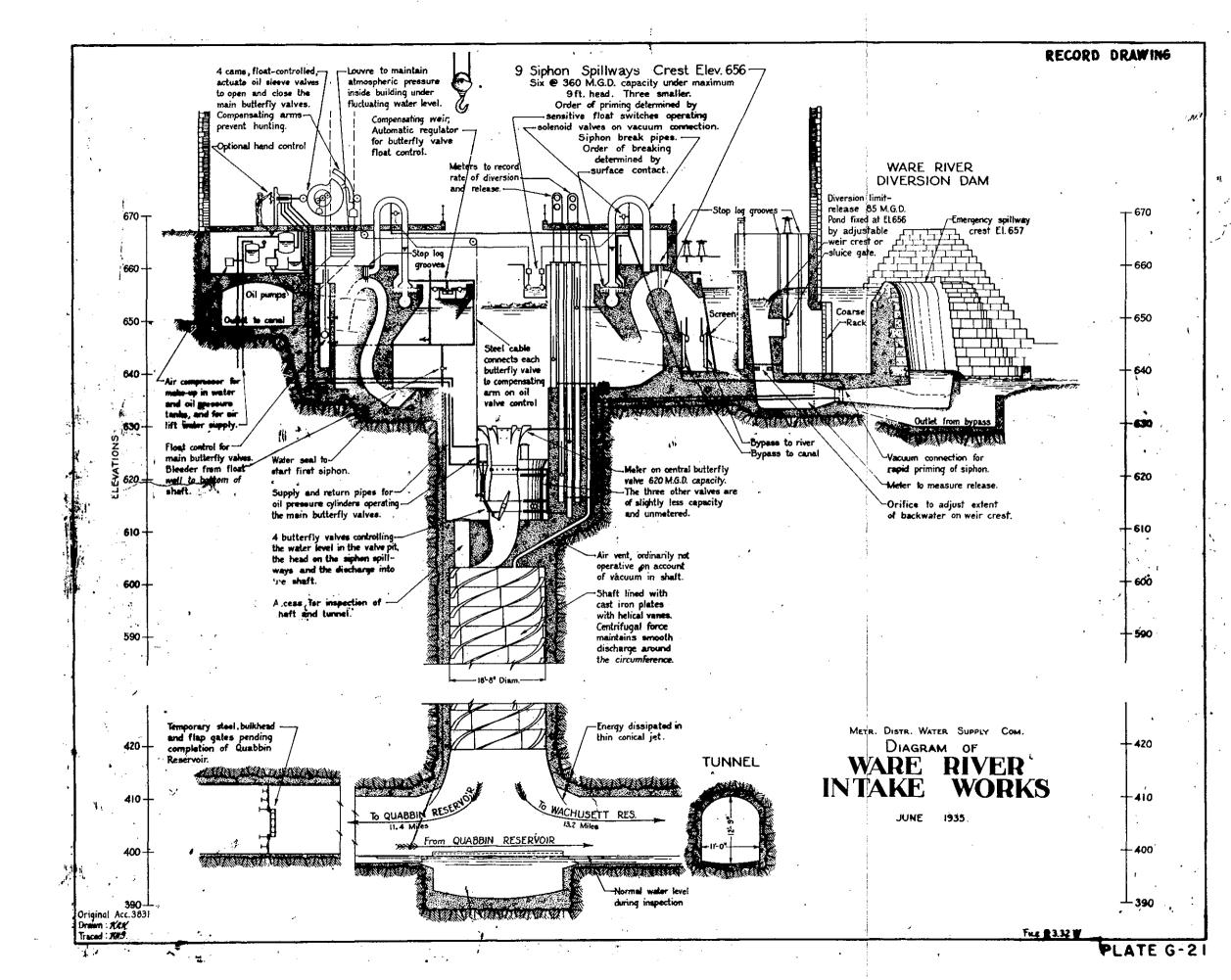






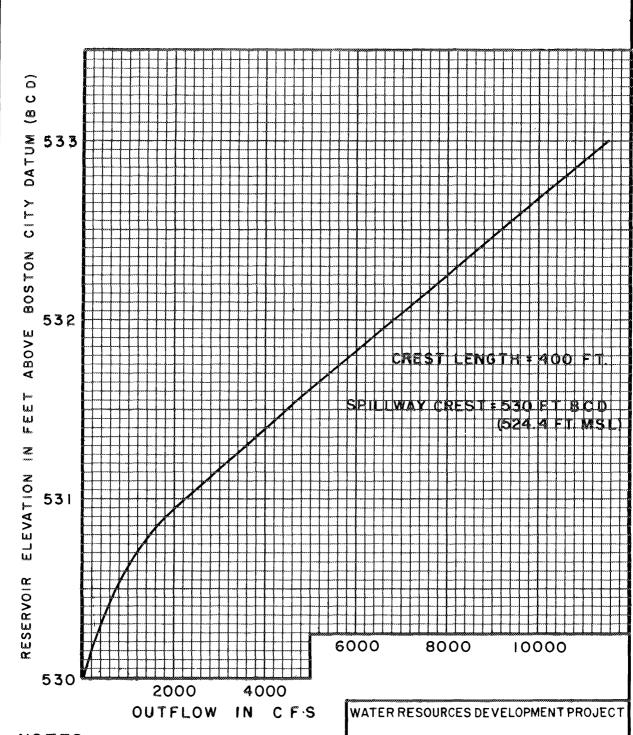








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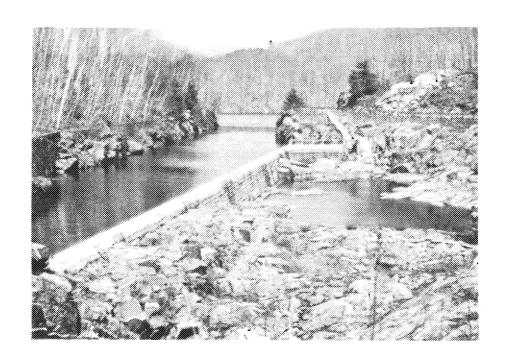


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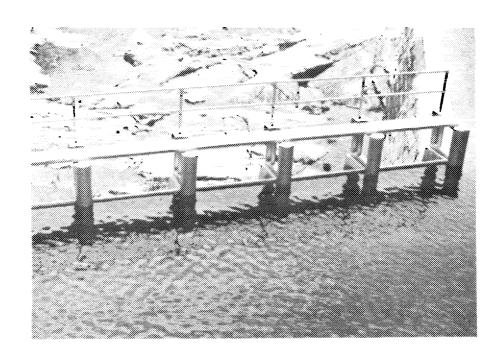
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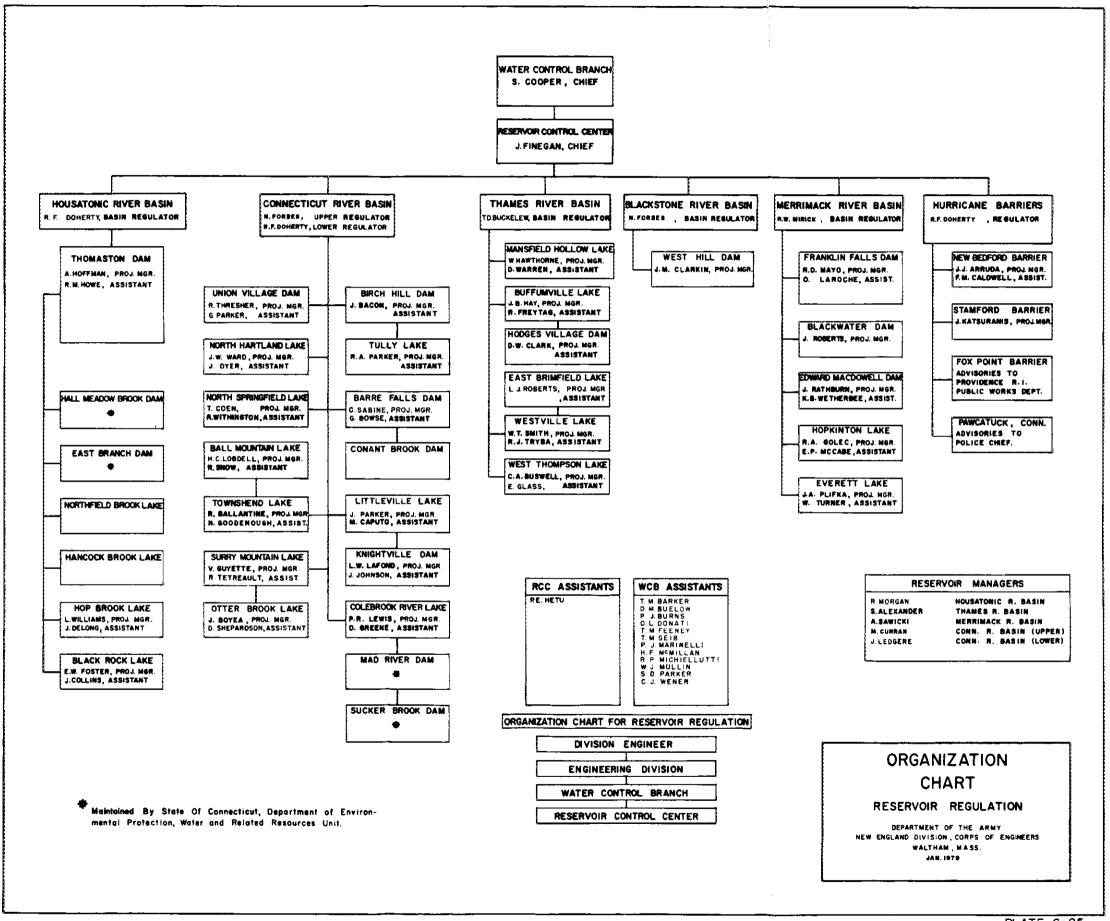


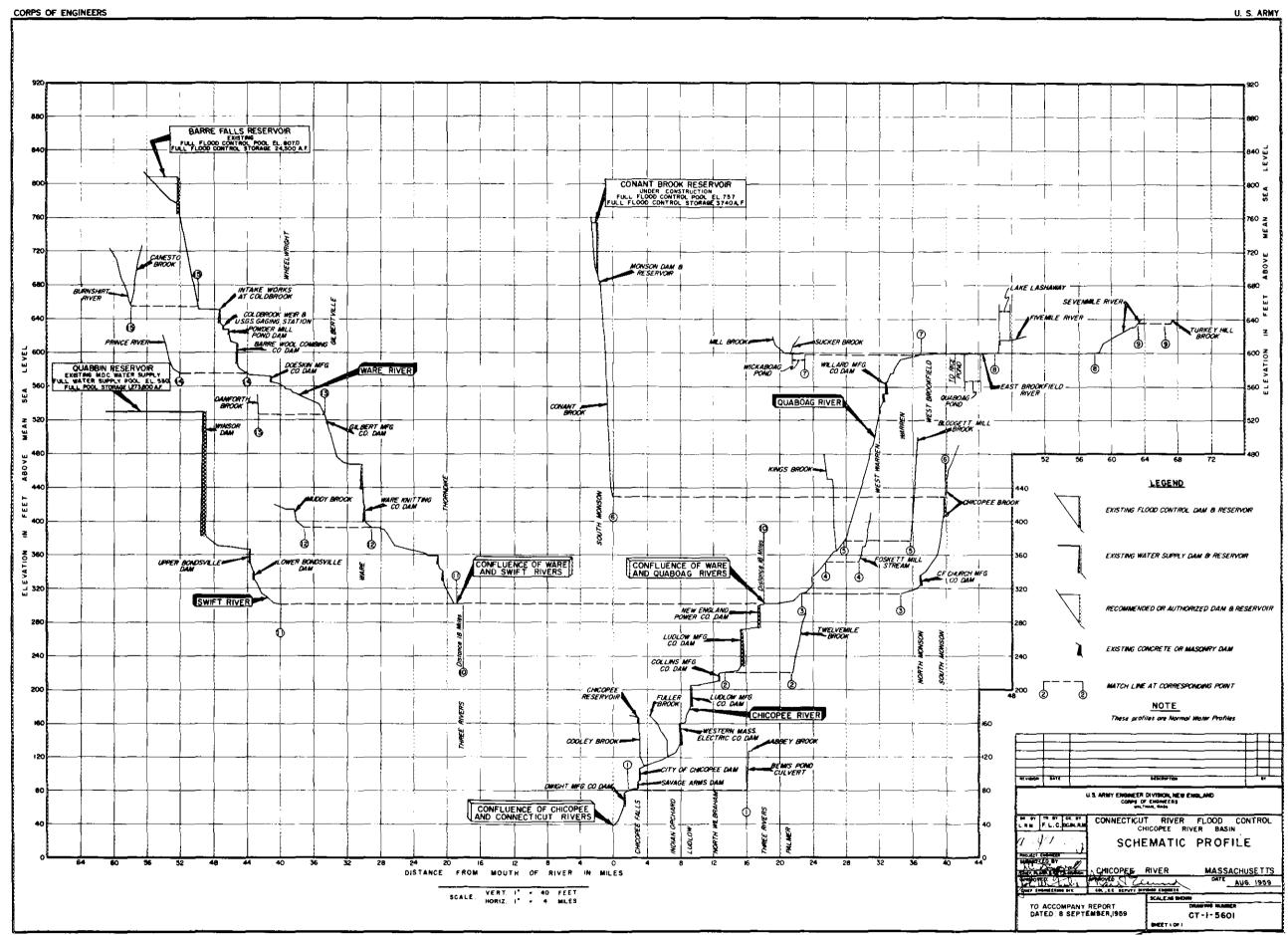
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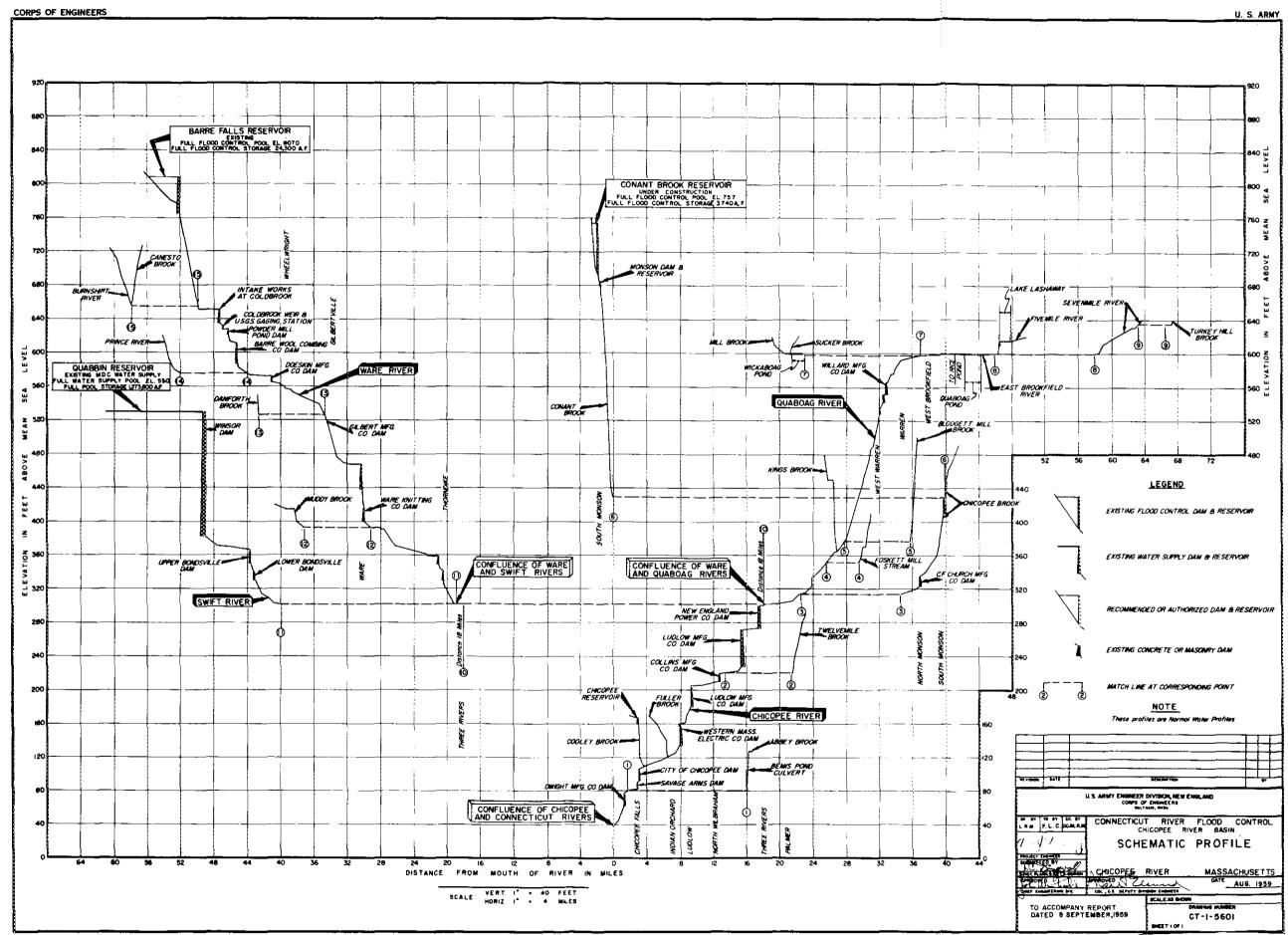


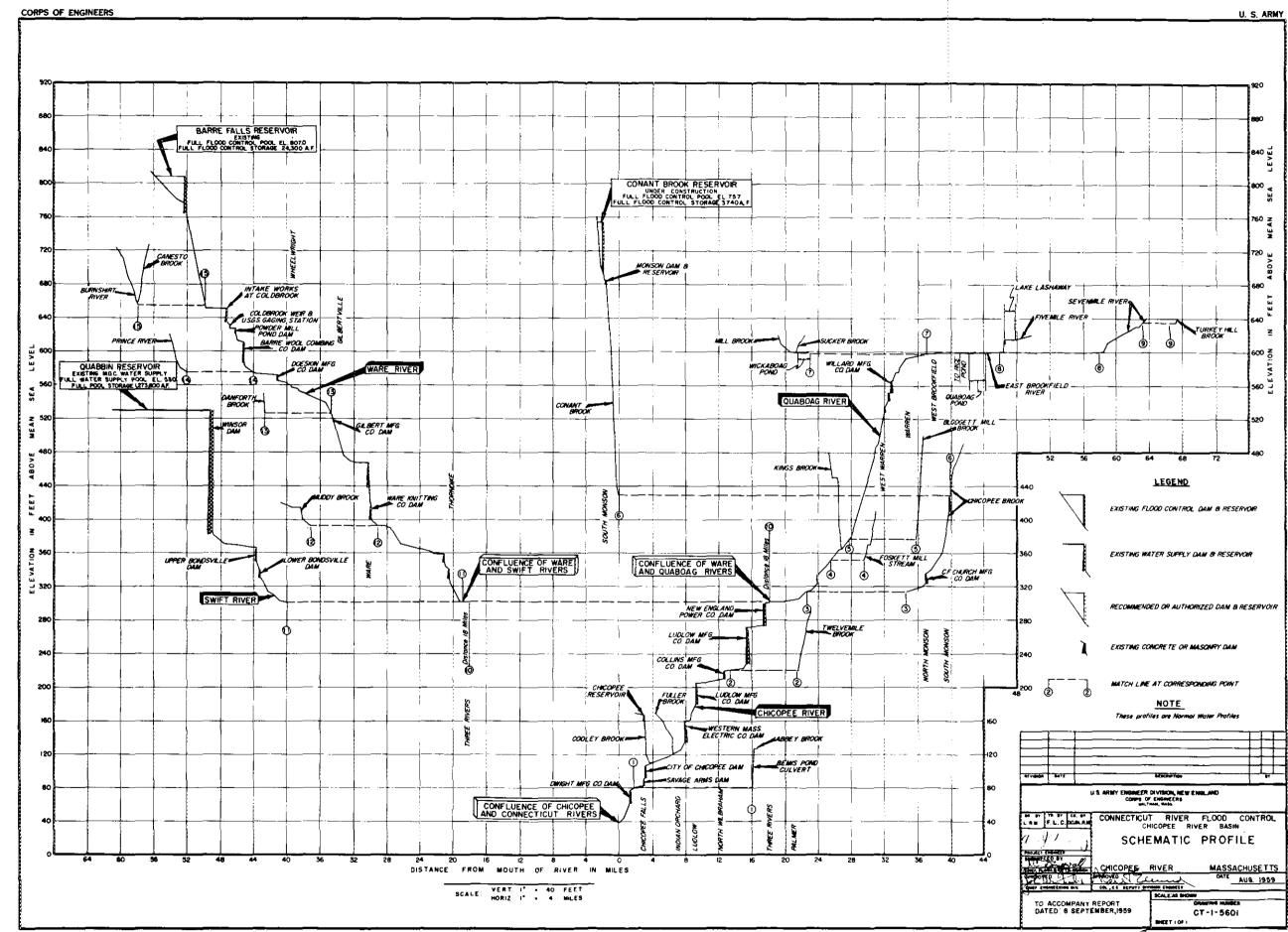
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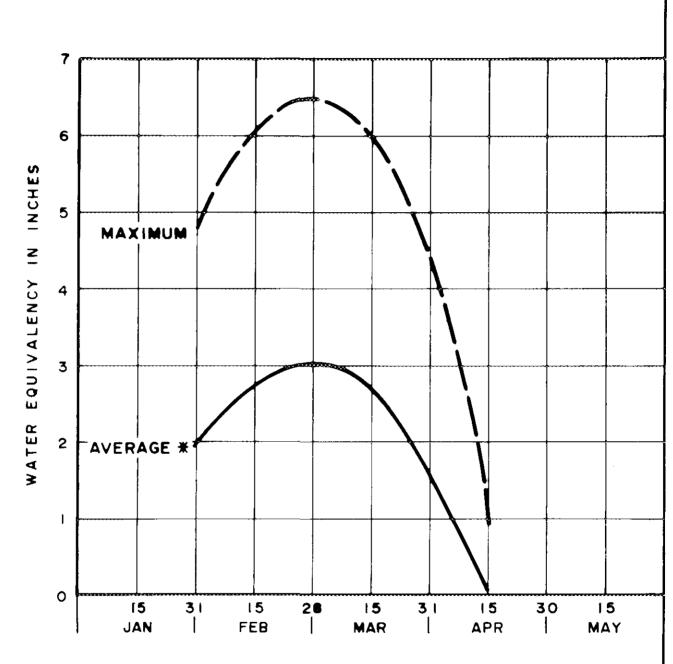


# ANNUAL PRECIPITATION CHICOPEE RIVER WATERSHED (DEPTH IN INCHES)

Calendar Year	Ware, Mass. (Elevation 410 ft. msl) 1920-1976	Hardwick, Mass. (Elevation 990 ft. msl) 1920-1976	Southbridge, Mass. (Elevation 740 ft. msl) 1912-1978					
1011								
1911 1912			47.3					
1913			44.5					
1914			33.2					
1915			<b>42.</b> 3					
1916			39.8					
1917			36.5					
1918			40.7					
1919	-2.0	•	59.4					
1920	52.8		56.4					
1921	42.0	48.9	42.8					
1922	45.4	46.4	49.2					
1923 1924	46.2 32.3	42.5 40.0	44.6 38.4					
1925	39.0	41.2	40.6					
1926	33.9	37.1	43.3					
1927	52.3	53.1	50.9					
1928	37.0	42.4	42.0					
1929	<b>40.</b> 5	36,8	40.7					
1930	30.9	32.2	31.4					
1931	~	42.0	40.8					
1932		42.2	49.8					
1933	-	50.6	55.9					
1934 1935	-	50.4 40.0	52.8 40.9					
1936	- -	57.7	57.4					
1937	<del>-</del>	53.2	58 6					
1938	56.0	60.0	67.4(a)					
1939	36.4	-	49.0					
1940	<b>45.</b> 5	42.7	49.4					
1941	34.3	31.7	40.1					
1942	46.6	44.6	49.5					
1943	43.6 41.9	39 <b>.</b> 9	41.2 44.2					
1944 1945	54.4	51.0	46.9					
1946	40.6	-	45.5					
1947	<del>-</del>	-	43.4					
1948	45.4	46.4	46.6					
1949	-	35.2	34.6					
1950	-	42.2	47.0					
1951	46.8	-	52.0					
1952	40.9	40.7	49.2					
1953	53.3	48.3	58.2					
1954	53.6 60.0 <sup>(a)</sup>	48.6 54.3	56.2 60.6					
1955 1956	36.6	41.2	41.9					
195 <b>7</b>	32.0	34.6	34.9					
1958	43.5	45.8	54.2					
1959	48.6	52.2	55.1					
1960	48.0	48.6	52.0					
1961	38.8	44.9	44.7					
1962	37.0	38.7	46.5					
1963	36.4	36.7	40.5					
1964	31.4 (h)	$\frac{31.2}{30.5}$ (b)	36.9 32.1(b)					
1965	26. 4 <sup>(b)</sup>	30.5°7 36.2	43.6					
1966	34.9 43.5	46.2	49.3					
1967 1968	39.0	40.0	46.3					
1969	46.2	46.6	53.9					
1970	41.9	43.0	45.0					
1971	41.2	43,4	45.1					
1972	57.8	55.1	65.0					
1973	51.0	51.0	55.1					
1974	52.8	49.2	55.0					
1975	52.4	58.4	55.5					
1976	41.6	44.7	46.4					
Mean	44.6	44.9	46.4					

<sup>(</sup>a) Maximum annual precipitation

<sup>(</sup>b) Minimum annual precipitation



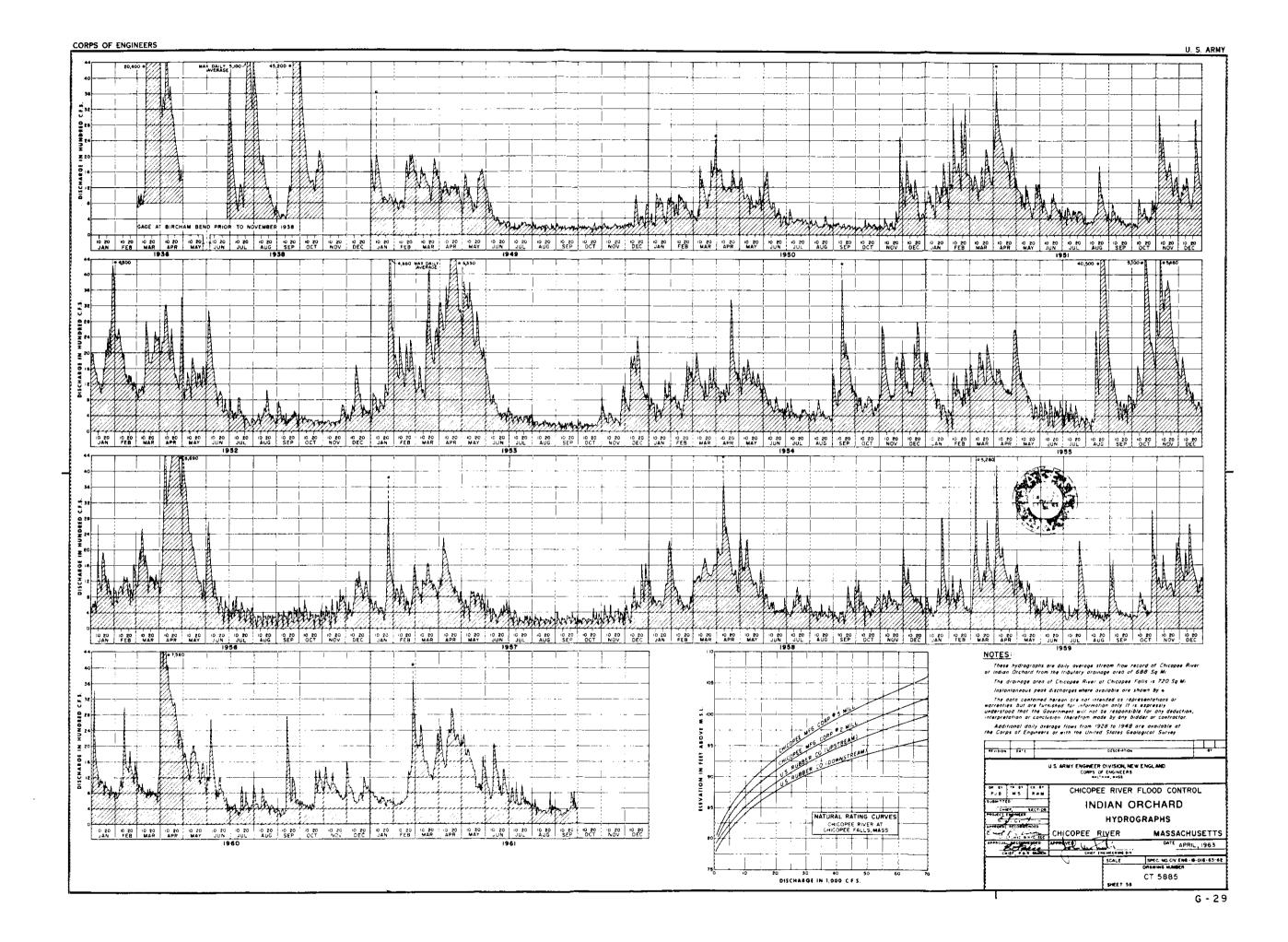
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NOTE:

MINIMUM WATER EQUIVALENT = 0.0

WATER RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT PROJECT
CONNECTICUT RIVER BASIN
CHICOPEE RIVER WATERSHED
WATER EQUIVALENT
OF SNOW COVER

NEW ENGLAND DIVISION, WALTHAM, MASS. AUGUST 1978



## ANNUAL RUNOFF CHICOPEE RIVER WATERSHED

Water Very	at Barr D.A. = 5	River e, Mass. 5 sq. mi. -1977	at Gibbs D.A. = l	River Crossing 99 sq. mi.	at W. Bri	ag River mfield, Mass. 151 sq. mi.	Chicopee River at Indian Orchard D. A. = 688 sq. mi. 1928-1977		
Water Year	CFS	Inches	CFS_	Inches	CFS	3-1977 Inches	CFS_	Inches	
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1915			259	17.6					
1914 1915			315	21,5	233	21.0			
1910			207	14, 1	171	15.4			
1916			407	27.8	298	26.8			
1917			300	20.5	219	19.7			
1918			245	16.7	178	16.0			
1919			354	24.2	252	22.7			
1920			423	20.9	362	32.6			
1921			379	25.9	2.76	24.8			
1922			394	26.9	267	24.0			
1923			307	21.0	257	23,1			
1924			314	21.4	276	24.8			
1925			206	14.1	148	13.3			
1027			3 43	10.2	171	15. 4			
1926 1927			282 314	19.3 21.4	171 206	15.4 18.5			
1928			461	31.5	339	30.5			
1929			311	21.2	228	20.5	1099	21.7	
1930			161	11.0	104 <sup>(b)</sup>	9.4(b)	589	11.6	
1931			175	11.9	161	14.5	684	13.5	
1932			192	13.1	169	15.2	764	15.1	
1933 1934			378 343	25,8 23,4	293 264	26,4 23,8	1287 1234	25.4 24.4	
1935			351	24.0	2 75	24,7	12 15	24.4	
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1936			347	23.7	2 72	24.5	12 13	24.0	
1937			380	25.9	268	24, 1	1345	26.6	
1938			581 <sup>(a)</sup>	39.7 <sup>(a)</sup>	430 <sup>(a)</sup>	38.7 <sup>(a)</sup>	1952 <sup>(a)</sup>	38,6(a)	
1939			363	24.8	273	24.6	1287	25.4	
1940			2 16	14.7	241	21.7	<b>72</b> 5	14.3	
1941			164	11.2	131	11.8	460	9.1	
1942			191	13.0	170	15.3	549	10.8	
1943			256	17.5	256	23.0	823	16.3	
1944			214	14.4	179	16.1	599	11.8	
1945			307	21,0	<b>2</b> 82	25.4	867	17.1	
10.44			350	17 7	244	22 A	746	14.7	
1946 1947	82.8	20.4	259 259	17.7 17.7	244 224	22,0 20,1	7 <b>4</b> 6 765	14.7 15.1	
1948	99.6	24.6	297	20.3	279	25.1	997	19.7	
1949	74.7	18.4	240	16.4	171	15.3	701	13.8	
1950	65,6	16.2	200	13.7	155	13.9	605	11.9	
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1951	96.6	23.8	291	19.9	254	22.8	927	18.3	
1952 1953	116 112	28.6 27.6	400 334	27.3 22.8	322 306	29.0 27.5	1241 1156	24.5 22.8	
1954	104	25.7	295	20.1	254	22.8	881	17.4	
1955	101	24.9	407	27.8	400	36. <b>0</b>	1259	24.9	
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1956	133	32.8	466	31,8	357	32.1	1483	29.3	
1957	61.2	15.1	213	14.5	155	13.9	624	12.3	
1958	101	24.9	248 263	16,9 18.0	260 241	23,4 21,7	826 831	16.3 16.4	
1959 1960	85.6 124	21.1 30.6	397	27.1	311	28.0	1224	24.2	
1,00		30.0	27.		• • •			, -	
1961	95.4	23.6	303	20,7	251	22.6	1007	19.9	
1962	75.2	18.6	207	14.1	187	16.8	677	13.4	
1963	73.2	18.1	2 0 5	14.0	215	19.3	648	12.8	
1964	64,3 29,5(b)	15.9 7.3(b)	167 107(b)	11, 4 7, 3(b)	173 104(b)	15,6 9,4b)	555 3 <i>9€</i>	11.0 7.8	
· 1965	29,5(-7	7.35-7	107-7	(, 5) = (	104	9.4			
1966	36.5	9.0	122	8.3	108	9. 7	376 <sup>(b)</sup>	7.4 <sup>(b)</sup>	
1967	82.9	20.5	245	16,7	223	20.1	684	13.5	
1968	88.0	21.7	242	16.5	223	20.1	712	14, 1	
1969	87,3	21,6	209	14.3	213	19.2	665	13, 1	
1970	105	25.9	266	10.2	287	25.8	922	18,2	
1971	65.8	16.2	200	13.7	179	16, 1	601	11.9	
1972	126		327	22.3	352	31.7	1049	20.7	
1973	132(a)	$\frac{31.1}{32.6}$ (a)	319	21.8	333	30.0	1066	21.0	
1974	96.5	23.8	257	17.5	257	23.1	842	16.6	
1975	106	26.2	292	19.9	284	25.6	953	18.8	
107/	110	20.4	20 ▲	24.3	217	2 u c	1165	23.0	
1976 1977	119 73.3	29.4 18.1	384 210	26.2 14.3	317 197	28.5 17.7	648	12.8	
4711	13,3	10, 1	210	A 8 W	A / I		V •		
Average	90.5	22.4	288	19.7	241	21,7	896	17.7	
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<sup>(</sup>a) Maximum Annual Runoff
(b) Minimum Annual Runoff

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#### UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR GROLOGICAL SURVEY (WATER RESOURCES DIVISION)

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Rating table for Connecticut River at Montague City from Gage Differ-Gage Differ-Gage Differ-Gage Differ. Gege Differ-Differ-Gage Discharge Discharge Discharge Discharge Discharge Ducharre Discharge neught ence height ence ence neigh ence beighi ence ence ence Feet Peer Cfr Cfs Cfs Ch Cfs Fee Cfr Cis Cfi3 .00 5.00  $13_{00}$  17,800  $15_{00}$  24,200 11.00 12000 1100 7.00 3620 9.00 7.24Ω 320 250 100 150 210 320 1200 3770 7450 10 12250 10 18,120 .10 24 520 .10 210 250 100 150 1300 20 3920 20 12500 20 18,440 20 24,840 20 7660 220 250 110 160 1410 4080 7880 30 12750 30 18,760  $_{30}$  25,160 230 270 160 11034240 40 13020 1520 8110 40 19,080 40 25.480 280 120 170 1640 4410 8340 50 13300  $_{50}$  19,400 .so 25,800 300  $120^{\frac{1}{2}}$ 170 1760 4580 8570 13600 60 26,120 60 19,720 120 180 205 1880 4760 8800 70 13900 .70 20,040 70 26,440 40 120 245 2000 9030 80 4940 **so** 1.14200. .so 26.760. .so 20.360 45 130 <sub>90</sub> 27,080 290 5120 9260 **∞** 14500 <sub>∞</sub> 20,680 2130 50 130 240.. $14_{00}$  21,000  $16_{00}$  27,400 340 100 9500 1200 14800 2260 800 5300 55 130 180 .10 15100  $_{10}$  | 27,720 395 .10 2390 5480 10 9750  $\frac{10}{10}$  21,320 60 130 .20 15400 28,040 455  $_{20}$  21,640 2520 5670  $_{20}$  [ 10000] 65 130 520 2650 15700 30 21,960 5860 <sub>30</sub> 10250 <sub>30</sub> 28,360 130 70 590 2780 6050 40 22,280 40 28 680 40 L 10500 40 L 16000 70 130 660 2910 .so [10750 6240 22,600 30 29,000 <sub>50</sub> 16300 80 140 740 6440 3050 .60 11000 <u>.ഒ</u> 166വ 60 22,920 .60 29,320 80 140 70 29,640 70 16900 23,240 820 3190 D 70 6640 .70 | .112.50. 90 140 910 3330 17200 **29,960** 6840 **30** 11500 **23,5**60 90 14090 30,280 1000 3470 .90 23 880 7040 » 1175Ω **∞** 1.75ΩΩ 150 This table is applicable for open-channel conditions. It is based on \_\_\_\_\_\_discharge measurements made during \_\_\_\_\_\_ and is well defined between cfs and cfs. Comp. by \_\_\_\_\_date\_\_\_\_. 9-210 (Rev. 2-67)

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Rating table for Connecticut River at Montague City Gage Differ-Deffer-Gage Differ-Differ-Gage Driffer -Gege Differ-Duscharge Discharge Discharge Ducharge Discharge Discharge Discharge height ence height ence height ence height ence neight CDCC ence height ence Feet CB Post Ch Cfs Page 1 Cfe 3 00) 5.00 1300 17,800  $15_{00}$  24,200 1100 7.00 3620 9.00 **7.2**4Ω... 1100 12000 150 210 250 320 320 100 1200 3770 7450 10 12250 10,12010 24,520 .10 210 250 100 150 1300 20 18,440 3920 20 7660 20 12500 20 24 840 220 250 110 160 1410 4080 .30 7880 30 18,760 30 25,160 .30 12750 230 270 160 110 1520 4240 8110 40 13020 40 25 480 40 19.080 120 170 280 1640 4410 8340 50 13300 50 19,400 50 25,800 120 170 300 4580 1760 8570 60 13600 60 19,720 60 26,120 120 205 1880 4760 .70 8800 .70 | 20,04070 26,440  $_{70}$  | 13900 40 120 245 .80 2000 4940 9030 **№** 20.360 .so 26.76Ω **so** 14200 45 130 290 5120 9260  $_{\infty}|20,680$ <sub>90</sub> 27,080 2130 14500 50 130  $24\Omega$ ... 14,000 | 21,000  $16_{00}$  27,400 6.00 ]. 12<sub>no</sub> 14800 340 2260 5300 1000 9500 130 180 .io 15100  $_{10}[21,320]$ 395 2390 5480 9750  $_{10}$  27,720 60 130 10000 28,040 455 2520 5670 20 15400 m = 21,640130 520 2650 5860 10250 30 21,960 30 28,360 15700 .30 70 130 590 2780 6050 40 16000 22,280 40 28,680 40 10500 70 130 660 2910 so 10750 6240 50 16300 **22,600** .50 29,000 80 140 200 740 3050 6440 11000 60 22,920 60 29,320 ס 16600 80 140 82() 70 16900 70 29,640 3190 <sub>20</sub> 23,240 6640 70 11250 90 140 910 6840 3330 11500 23,560 **29,960** 17200 14010003470 30,280 .**90** 23 **88**0 7040 **∞** 11750 17500150 This table is applicable for open-channel conditions. It is based on \_\_\_\_\_\_discharge measurements made during \_\_\_\_\_ and is well defined between cf2 and cf5. Comp. by \_\_\_\_ dete\_\_\_\_ 9-310 (Rev. 2-67)

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Rating table for Connecticut River at Montague City ... from Differ Gage Gage Discharge Duffer -Gage Gage height Differ-Gage Differ-Differ. Gage Differ-Discharge Discharge Discharge Dracharge Discharge Discharge beight ence height ence ence beignt ence beight ence ence height ence Feet Cfi A-c Cf 3620 150 3 .00 5.00 1300 | 17,8001500 24,200 1100 7.00 7240 11.00 12000 9.00 250 100 210. 320 1200 3770 7450 10 12250 10 18,120 10 24,520 .10 210 250 100 150 1300 3920 7660 20 12500 20 18,440 20 24,840 220 250 110 160 1410 4080 7880 30 18,760  $_{30}[25,160]$ <sub>30</sub> 12750 230 270 110 160 1520 4240 8110 40 13020 40 25.480 40 19,080 280 120 170 1640 4410 8340 13300 <sub>50</sub> 19,400 50 25,800 120 170 300 1760 4580 8570 60 19,720 60 26,120 13600 120 180 205 4760 1880 8800 70 26,440 70 13900 70 20,040 40 120 245 2000 4940 9030 **20.360 30** 26.760. so 14200 45 130 290 5120 9260 an 20,680 <sub>90</sub> 27,080 14500 2130 50 130 240... $16_{00}$  27,400 340 14,00 21,000 4.00 2260 8.00 5300 10,00 9500 1200 14800 55 130 180 15100 395 2390 .10 9750  $\frac{10}{10}$  21,320  $_{10}|27,720$ 5480 130 2520 10000 28,040 455 5670 15400 n 21,640 130 520 2650 5860  $_{30}[21,960]$ 10250 15700  $_{30}|28,360|$ 70 130 590 2780 6050 40 22,280 40 28 680 16000 40 L 10500 70 130 660 2910 10750 6240 **50** 16300 **50** 22,600 30 29,000 80 140 740 3050 6440 .60 11000 60 22,920 60 29,320 ס 16600 80 140 70 29,640 820 70 3190 6640 16900 **23,240** .70 J.1125Ω 90 140 910 3330 11500 17200 23,560 6840 **29,960** 90 140.51000 3470 **∞**23,8**8**0 30,280 7040 <u>.∞ 11750</u> **∞** 175ΩΩ 150 This table is applicable for open-channel conditions. It is based on \_\_\_\_\_\_discharge measurements made during \_\_\_\_\_\_ and is well defined between cfs and cfs. Comp. by \_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_. 9-21. (Rev. 2-67)

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Rating table for Connecticut River at Montague City, Mass.

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Feet	Cfs	Cfs	Feet	Cfs	Cfs	Feet	Cfs	Cfs	Feet	Cfi	Cfs									
17.00		360	19.∞	39000	380	21.00	46800	400	23∞	55000	440	25.∞	64000	480	27.00	73800	520	29.00	84200	540
.10		360	.10		380	.10	47200	400	.10	55440	440	.10	64480	480	.10	74320	520	10	84740	540
	31320	360	.20	39760	380	.20	47600	400	.20	55880	440	.20	64960	480	.20	74840	520	.20	85280	540
	31680	.360	.30	40140	380	.30	48000	400	.30	56320	440		65440	480	.30	75360	520	.30	85820	540
.40	32040	360	.40	40520	380	.40	48400	400	.40	56760	440		.65920_	480	.40	75880	520	.40	86360	540
.50	32400	360	.50	40900	380	.50	48800	400	.50	57200	440	.50	66400	480	.50	76400	520	.50	86900	540
.60	32760	360	.60	41.280	380	.60	49200		.60	57640	440	.60	66880	480	.60	76920	520	.60	87440	540
.70	33120	360	.70	41660	380	.70	.496QQ.	400	.70	58080	440	.70	67360	48Q	.70	77440	520	.70	87980	540
.80	33480	360	.80	42040	380	.80	50000	400	.80	58520	440	.80	67840	480	.80	77960	520	.80	88520	540
.90	33840	360	.90	42420	380	.90	.50400	400	.90	59660	440	.90	68320	480	.90	78480	520	.90	89060	540
18.00	35200	380	20.∞	42800		22.00	50800	420	24.00	59400	460	26 <sub>.00</sub>	68800	5Q0	28.∞	79000	520	30.00	89600	540
.10	35580	380		43200	400	.10	51220	.420.	.10	59860	460	.10	69300	500	.10	79520	520	.10	90140	540
.20	35960	380	.20	43600	400	.20	.5164Q	420	20	60320	460	.20	69800	500	.20	80040	520	.20	90680	540
.30	36340	380	.30	44000	400	.30	52060	420	.30	60780	460	.30	70300	500	.30	80560	520	.30	91220	540
.40	36720	380	.40	.44400	400	.40	52480	420	.40	61240	46.0	1	70800	500	.40	81080	520·	.40	91760	540
.50	37100	380	.50	44800	400	.50	52900	420	.50	61700	460	.50	71300	500	.50	81600	520	.50	92300	540
.60	37480	380	.60	45200	400	.60	53320	420	.60	62160.	460	.60	71800	500		82120	520	.60	92840	540
70 .70	37860	380	.70	45600	400	.70	53740	420	.70	62620	460	.70	72300	500	.70	82640	520	.70	93380	540
E 80		380	.80	46000	4.00	.80	54160	420	.80	63080	460	.80	72800	500	.80	83160	520	.80	93920	540
A .90	38620	380	.90	46400	4.0.0	.90	54580	420	.90	63540	460	.90	73300	500	.90	83680	520	.90	94460	540

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Rating table for Connecticut River at Montague City, Mass.

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Feet	Cfr	Cfs	Feet	Cfs	Cfs	Feet	Cfs	Cfs	Feet	Cfs	Cfs	Feet	Cfi	Cfs	Fees	Cfi	Cfs	Feet	Сfi	Cfs
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.10	95550	550	.10	107150	650	.10	120700	700	.10	F	700	.10	149800	800.		165800	800	.10	181800	800
.20	96100	550	.20	107000	650	.20	121400		.20	135400	700		150600	900	.20	166600	800	.20	182600	
.30	96650	550	.30	108450	650		122100	700	.30	136100	700	.30	151400	ann	.30	167400	800	.30	ายสนากใ	
	97200	550	.40	1091.00.	650	.40	122800	700	.40	136800	700	.40	152200.	000	.40	168200	800		184200	ยกก
.50	97750	550	.50	109750	650	.50	123500	700	.50	137500	700	.50	<u> 153000</u>	000	50	169000		.50	185000	800
.60	98300	550	.60	110400		.60	124200	700		138200		.60	153800	000	.60	169800		.60	_185800	800
.70	98850	550	.70	111050	SEA	.70	TOMORO		.70	138900	700	.70	154600	800	.70	170600	800	.70	186600	800
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.10	101100	600	.10	113700	700	.10	127700	700	.10	141800	800	.10	157800	900	.10	17.3800	800	.10	189800	800
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	103500	600	.50	116500	700	.50	130500	700	.50	145000		.50	161000	800	.50	177000	800	.50	193000	800
.60	104100	600	.60	117200	700	60	131200	700	.60	145800	800	.60	161800	800	.60	177800		.60	193800	800
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Ü	It is identical with rating 19 above and is well defined between 5,000 cfs and 150,000 cfs
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#### CONNECTICUT RIVER RATING TABLES

_age (ft)	$\frac{\text{Holyoke, Mass.}^{(1)}}{(\text{DA = 8,177 sq. mi.})}$ Zero Datum 97.47 ft msl	Springfield, Mass. (2) (DA = 9,587 sq. mi.) Zero Datum 37.76 ft msl	Hartford, Conn. $(3)$ (DA = 10,428 sq. mi.) Zero Datum 0.55 ft ms1
0	0	0	0
1	4,000	1,500	2,000
2	9,000	3,000	4,000
3	16,000	6,000	6,500
4	24,000	11,000	9,500
5	35,000	16,000	12,500
6 7 8 9	46,000 60,000 74,000 90,000 105,000	22,000 28,000 35,000 42,000 50,000	15,800 19,600 23,400 27,600 32,000
11	124,000	58,000	37,000
12	143,000	66,000	42,000
13	162,000	74,000	47,000
14	182,000	82,000	53,000
15	203,000	94,000	59,500
16	226,000	104,000	66,000
17		114,000	72,500
18		126,000	80,000
19		138,000	87,500
20		151,000	95,000
21		166,000	104,000
22		180,000	113,500
23		194,000	123,500
24		210,000	133,500
25		225,000	143,500
26 27 28 29 30		240,000 257,000 274,000	153,500 163,500 173,700 184,000 194,500
31 32 33 34			205,000 215,500 226,000 237,000

<sup>(1)</sup> gage located at Holyoke Water Power Company Dam.(2) gage located at York Street Pumping Station.

<sup>(3)</sup> gage located at Buckley Bridge.

#### UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR GEOLOGICAL SURVEY (WATER RESOURCES DIVISION)

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671001 Rating table for Connecticut River at Thompsonville, Conn. from Oct. 1970 to Differ-Gaze Differ-Differ-Differ-Gage Differ-Discharge Discharge Discharge Discharge Discharge Discharge Discharge height height height ence ence ence ence Cfs Cfs Cfs Feet Cfs Cfs Cfs Cfi Feet Cfs Cfr Feet Feet 8.00 118000 6<sub>∞</sub> 80000 1200 194000 1900 2 ... 12800 4.00 43000 1000 156000 0.00 1900 1800 1100 1900 1900 13900 <sub>.10</sub> 81900 10 119900 44800 157900 10 195900 .10 1100  $_{20}|159800$ 46600 20 197800 <sub>20</sub> 83800 15000 .20 12.18.00  $1100^{\circ}$ 30 16100 1200 48400 30 123700 30 161700 .30 L199700l .30 85 700 87600 40 17300 1200 40 125600 4c 163600 40 50200 40 201600 <sub>50</sub> 165500 50 127500 18500 50 52000 50 203500 50 89500 1300 19800 .60 205400 .a 53800 .60 9 14 0 0 60 129400 .60 [167400] 1300 .70 21100 <sub>.70</sub> 55600 <sub>70</sub> 93300 70 131300 .70 169300 70 20/306 1400 .80 171200 .80 209200 80 22500 .80 57400 .80 9.52 00 80 1332.00 1400 90 173100 .90 Z11100 23900 90 59200 90 97100 90 135100 1500 1800 25400 5 00 61000 7.00 99000 11.601750009.00 | 137000130 213000. 1 .00 1600 1900  $_{.10}$  176900 27000 10 62900 10 138900 .10 214900. 10 100900 1700 28700 20 178800 20 216800 20 140800 20 64800 .20 102800 1700 6420 30 66700  $_{30} 142700$ 30 180700 .30 Z.18.Z.0.0. 30400 30 104700 780 1800 40 182600 40 144600 40 220600 32200 40 106600 40 68600 72.00 850 30 222500 30 1845 OO 34000 70500 30 1085.00 .50 146500. .50 8050 900 8950 .00 224400 35800 .60 110400 60 148400 .w 186400 .60 72400 900 <sub>70</sub> µ88300 37600 .70 226300 .70 15.03.00 .70 743QQ .70 112300 .70 9850 950 .80 1522 QQ .80 19 02 0.0 80 228200 80 762.00 .80 114200  $_{so}10100$ 80 39400 1000 .90 230100 190<u>0</u> 90 116100 1900 93 78 100 .90 154100 .90 **192 100** . |11800 <sub>∞</sub> 41200 m This table is applicable for open-channel conditions. It is based on \_\_\_\_\_\_discharge measurements made during \_\_\_\_\_\_ G

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Feet	Cfs	Cfs	Feet	Cfs	Cfs	Feet	Cfs	Cfs	Feet	Cfs	Cfi	Feet	Cft	Cfi	Feet	Cfs	Cfr	Feet	Cfi	Cfs
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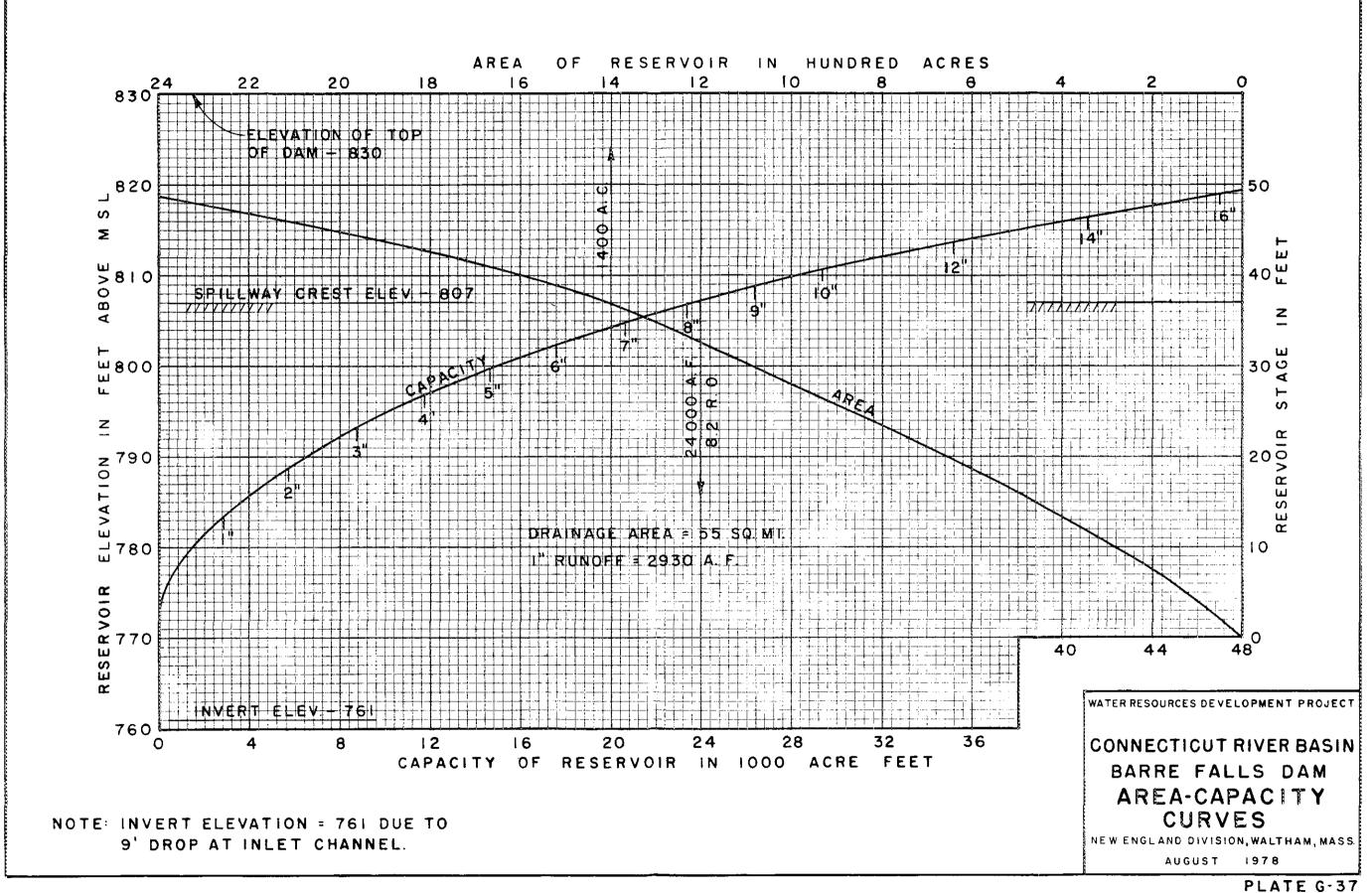
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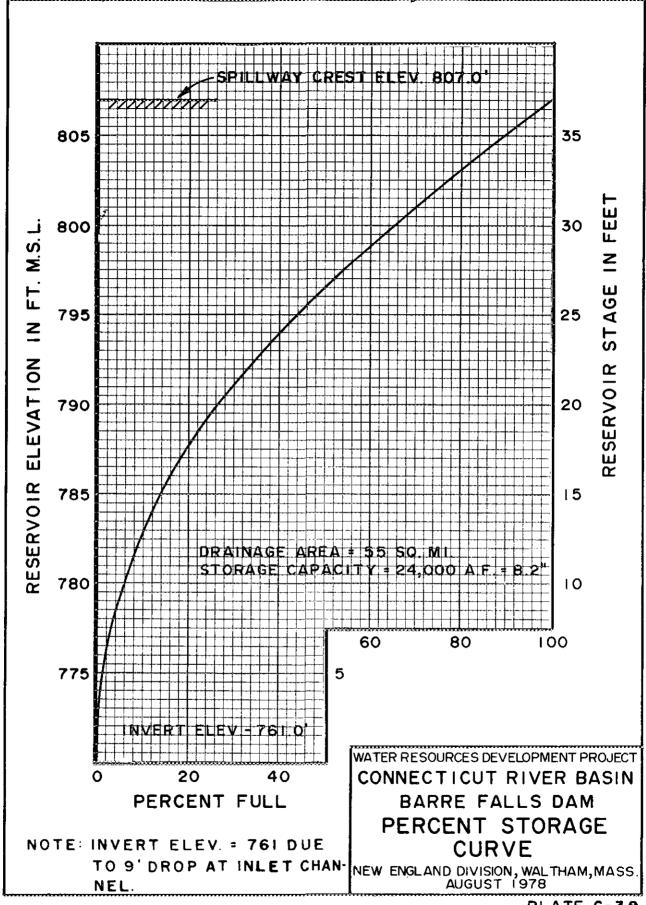
#### DRAINAGE AREA = 55 SQ.MI.

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774	4	100	220	.07	793	23	790	8410	2.86
775	5	125	340	.12	794	24	830	9250	3.15
					795	25	870	10100	3.44
776	6	160	490	.17					
777	7	180	670	.23	796	26	920	11000	3.75
778	8	215	880	.30	797	27	960	12000	4.09
779	9	245	1120	.38	798	28	1000	13000	4.46
780	10	280	1390	.47	799	29	1040	14100	4.80
					800	30	1090	15200	5.18
781	11	320	1700	.58					
782	12	360	2050	.70	801	31	1140	16300	5.55
783	13	390	2430	83	802	32	1180	17500	5.96
784	14	430	2850	.97	803	33	1220	18700	6.37
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787	17	540	4320	1.47	806	36	1350	22600	7.70
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Crest Elevation = 807

Invert Elevation = 761 due to 9 foot drop at inlet channel.



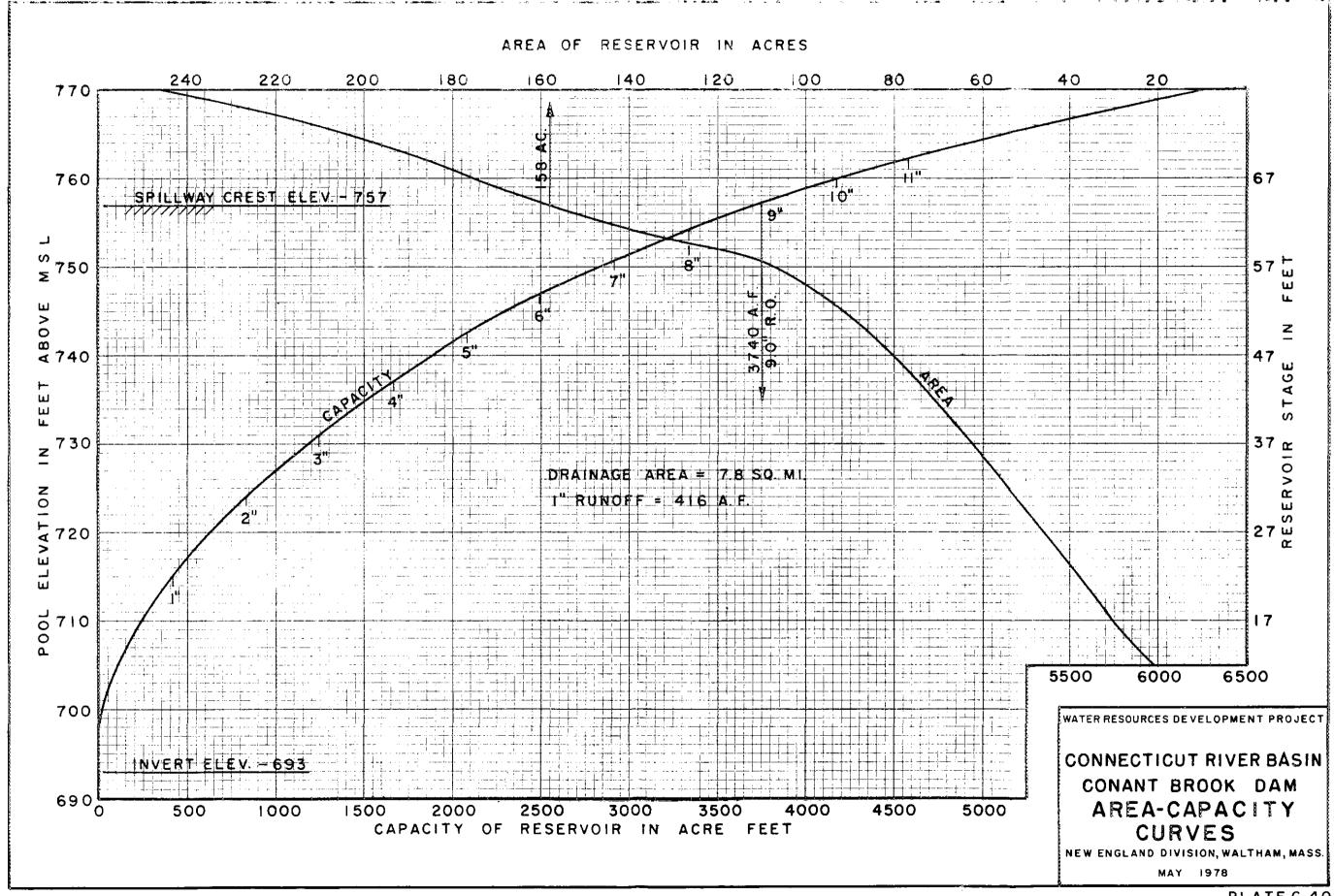


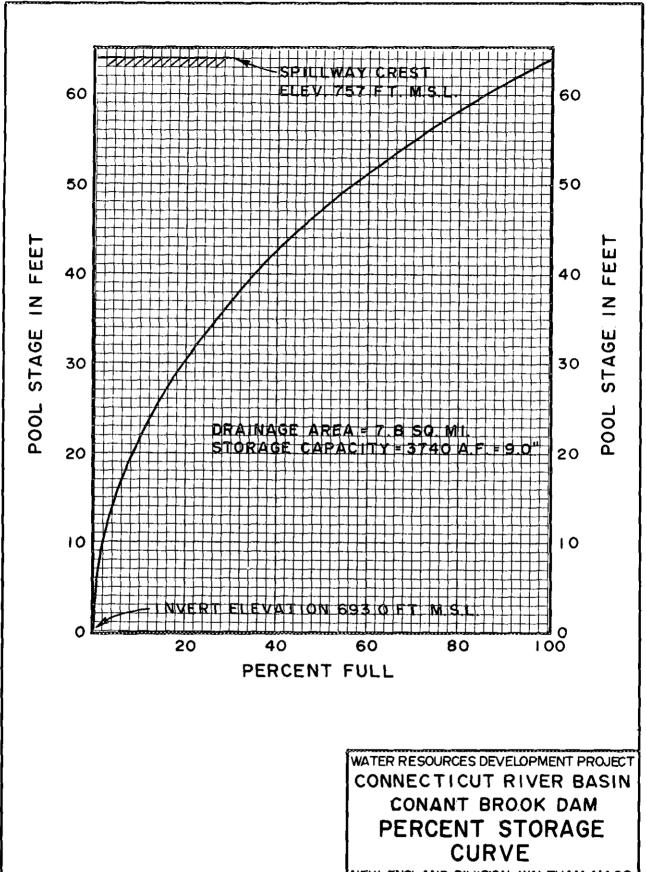
## CONANT BROOK DAM AREA AND CAPACITY

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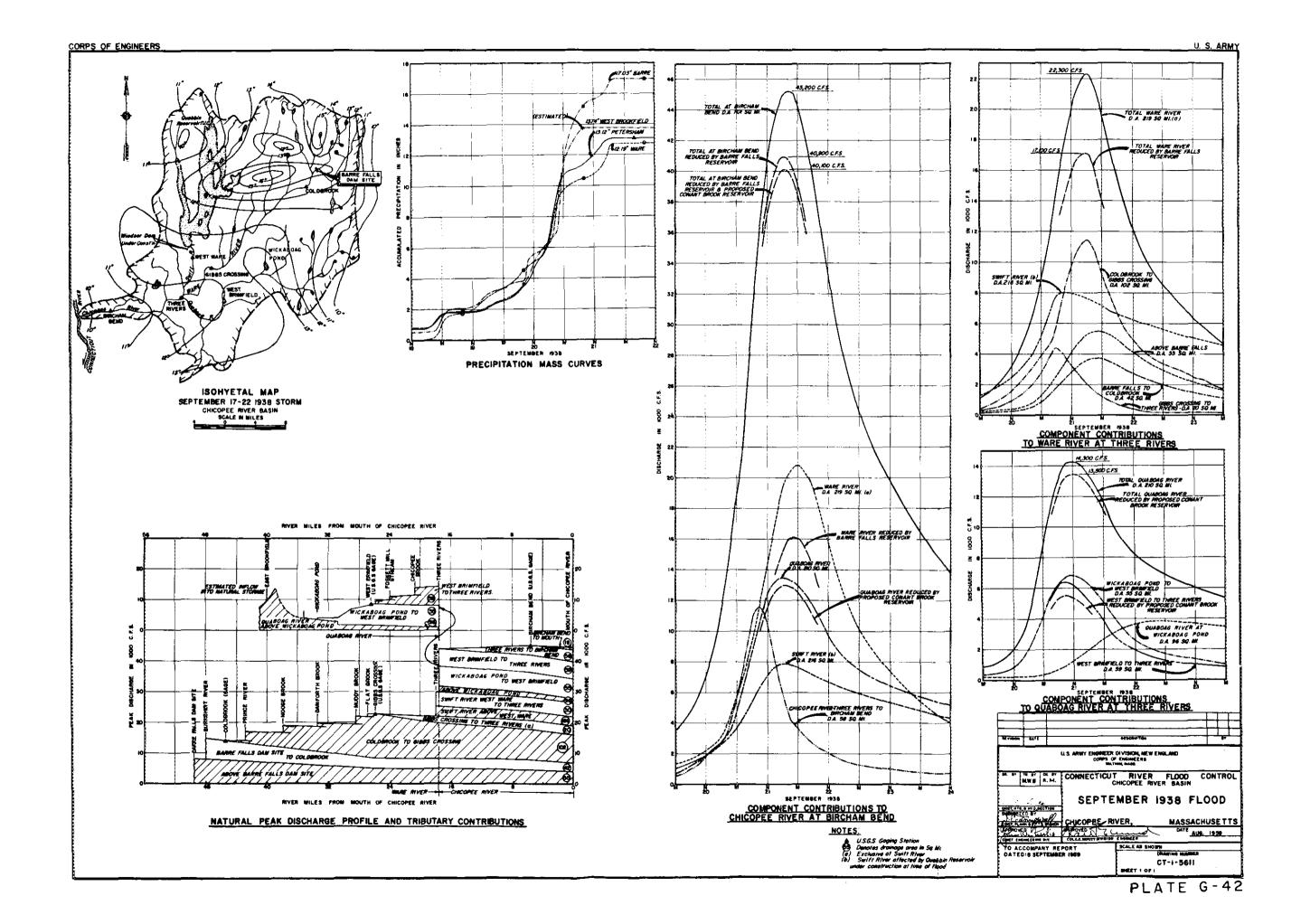
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					729	36	62	1130	2.72
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697	4	4	12	.03					
698	5	5	16	.04	731	38	65	1250	3.00
699	6	6	20	.05	732	39	66	1310	3.15
700	7	8	24	.06	733	40	68	1375	3.30
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702	9	15	40	.10					
703	10	17	60	. 14	736	43	73	1575	3.79
704	11	19	80	.19	737	44	75	1650	3.97
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707	14	25	150	.36					
708	15	27	180	.43	741	48	83	1950	4.59
709	16	29	210	.50	742	49	85	2030	4.89
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712	19	34	310	.74					
713	20	35	345	.83	746	53	94	2400	5.77
714	21	36	380	.91	747	54	97	2500	6.01
715	22	38	415	1.00	748	55	100	2600	6.25
					749	56	104	2705	6.50
716	23	40	450	1.08	750	57	107	2815	6.77
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718	25	43	530	1.27	751	58	112	2940	7.07
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					754	61	139	3320	7.98
721	28	48	675	1.62	755	62	146	3450	8.29
722	29	50	730	1.75					
723	30	51	785	1.89	756	63	152	3580	8.61
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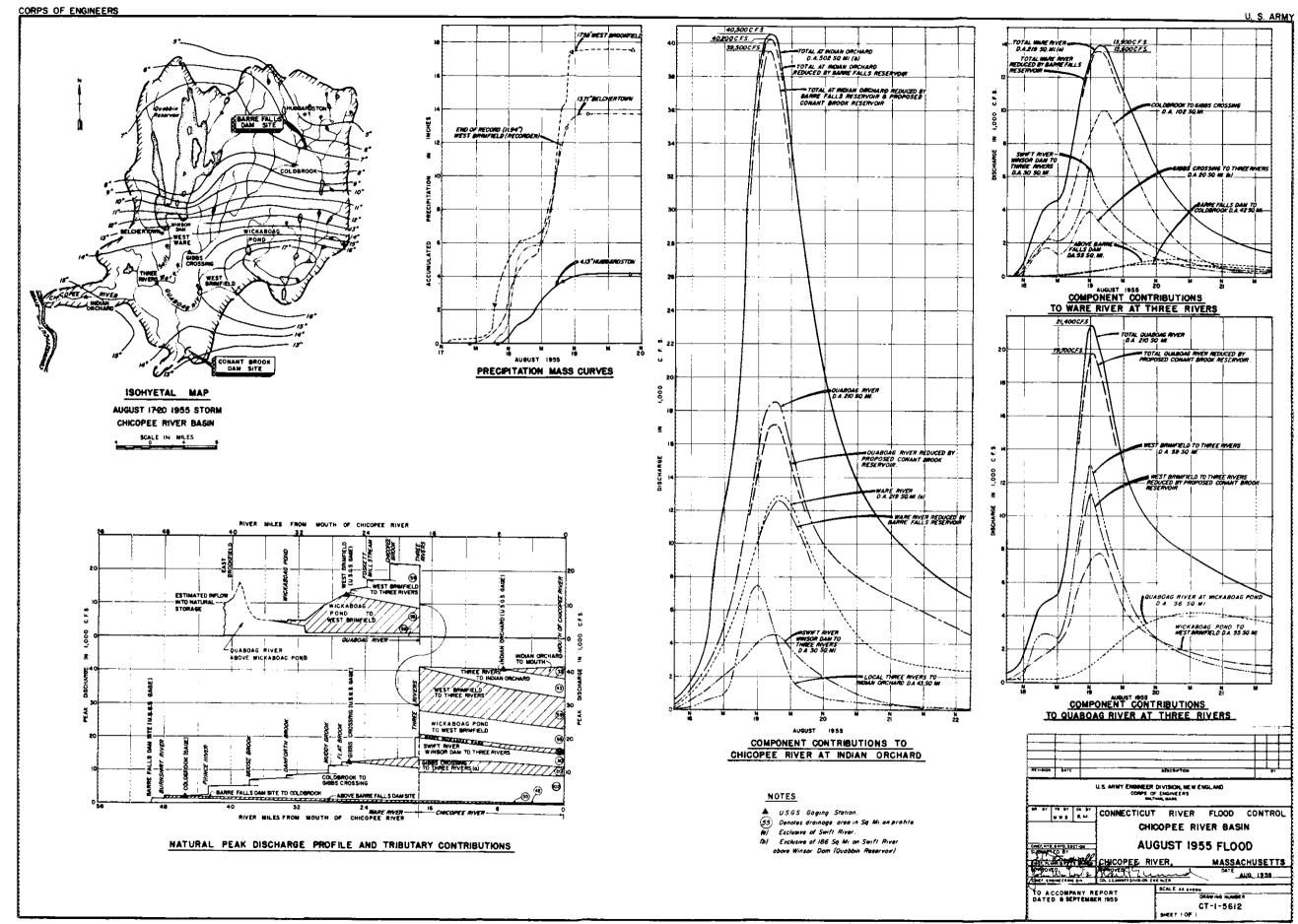
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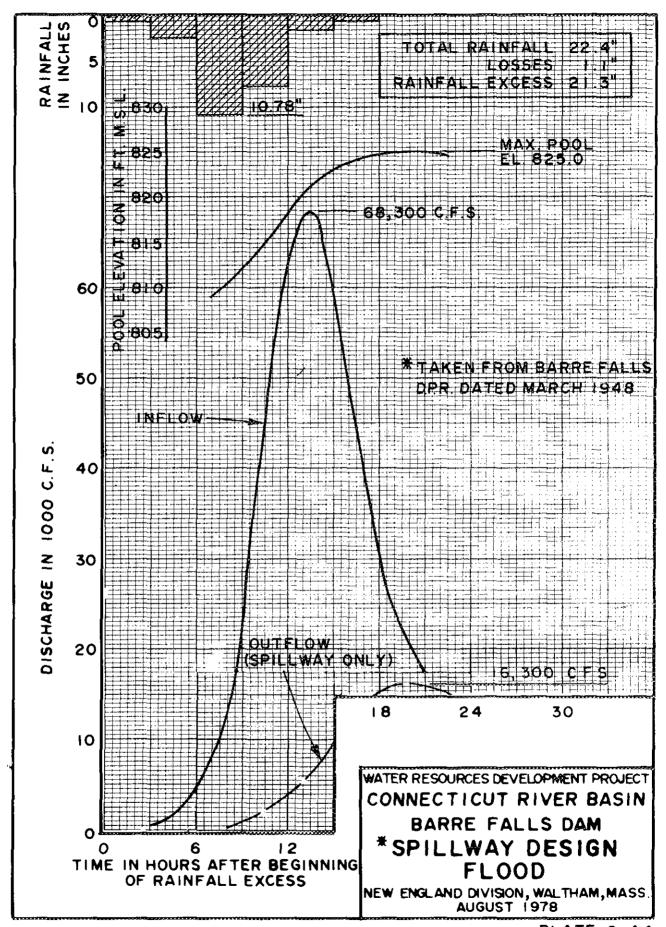


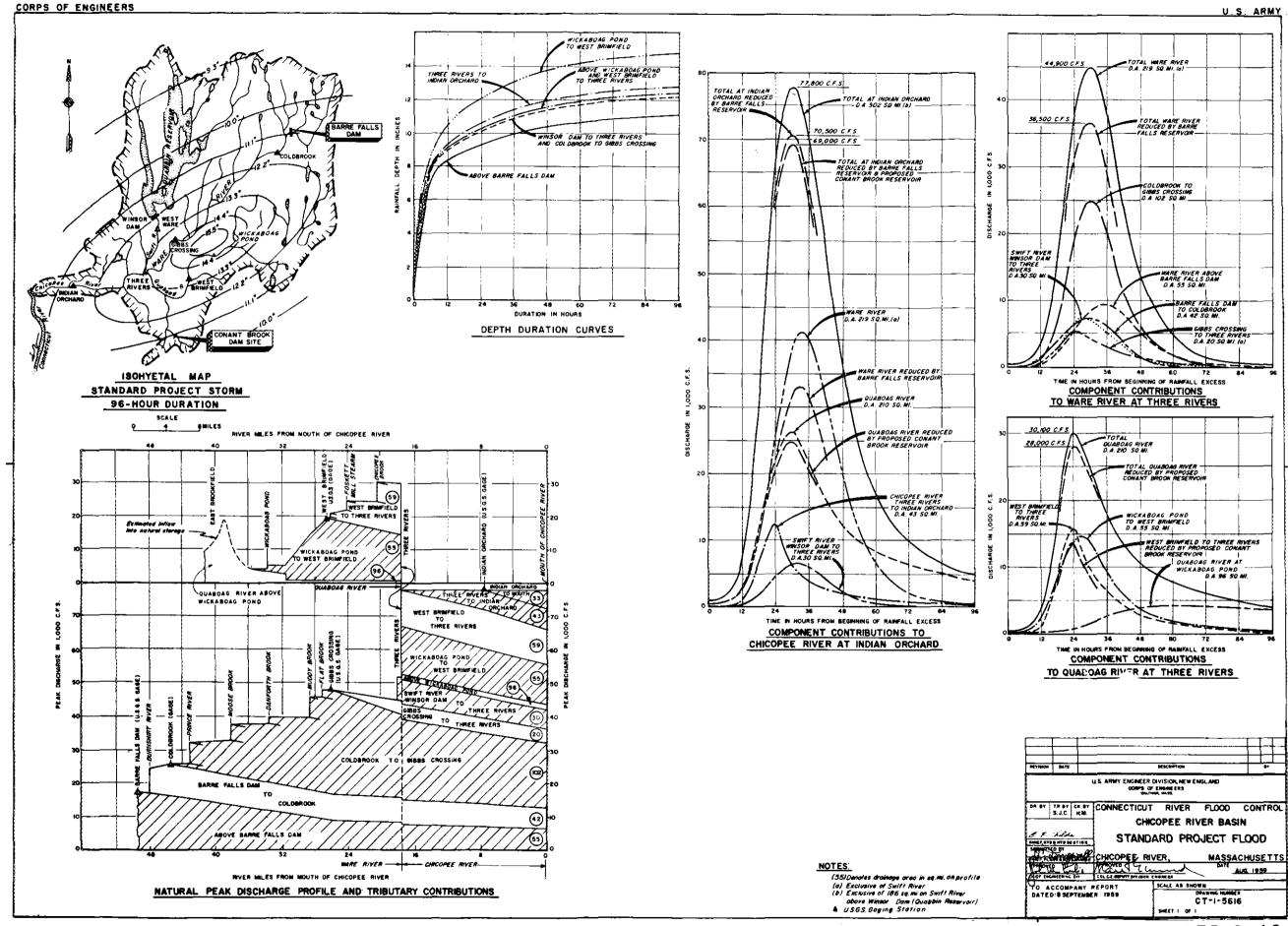


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	6 MONTAGUE CITY	43	33 2056	21240		7.30 [1.			
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	19 HARTFORD	70	33 2057	20600.	2.0	7.20 FT.	0.4		
	34 RUMNEY	71	33 2057	387.	2.7	3.50 FT.	0.1	15.67 IN.	0.36 WARN
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8	9 GOFFS FALLS	73	33 2058	6832.	2.2	5.60 FT.	-0.1		
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3	23 HANCOCK BROOK LAKE	72	33 2058	1 <b>9</b> 0.	15.9	8.60 FT.	0.8		
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**40 BLOCK ISLAND** 

COASTAL STATION 41 OLD SAYBROOK

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**36 WEST HARTFORD** 

35 WHITE RIVER JUNCTION

**38 WELLS RIVER** 

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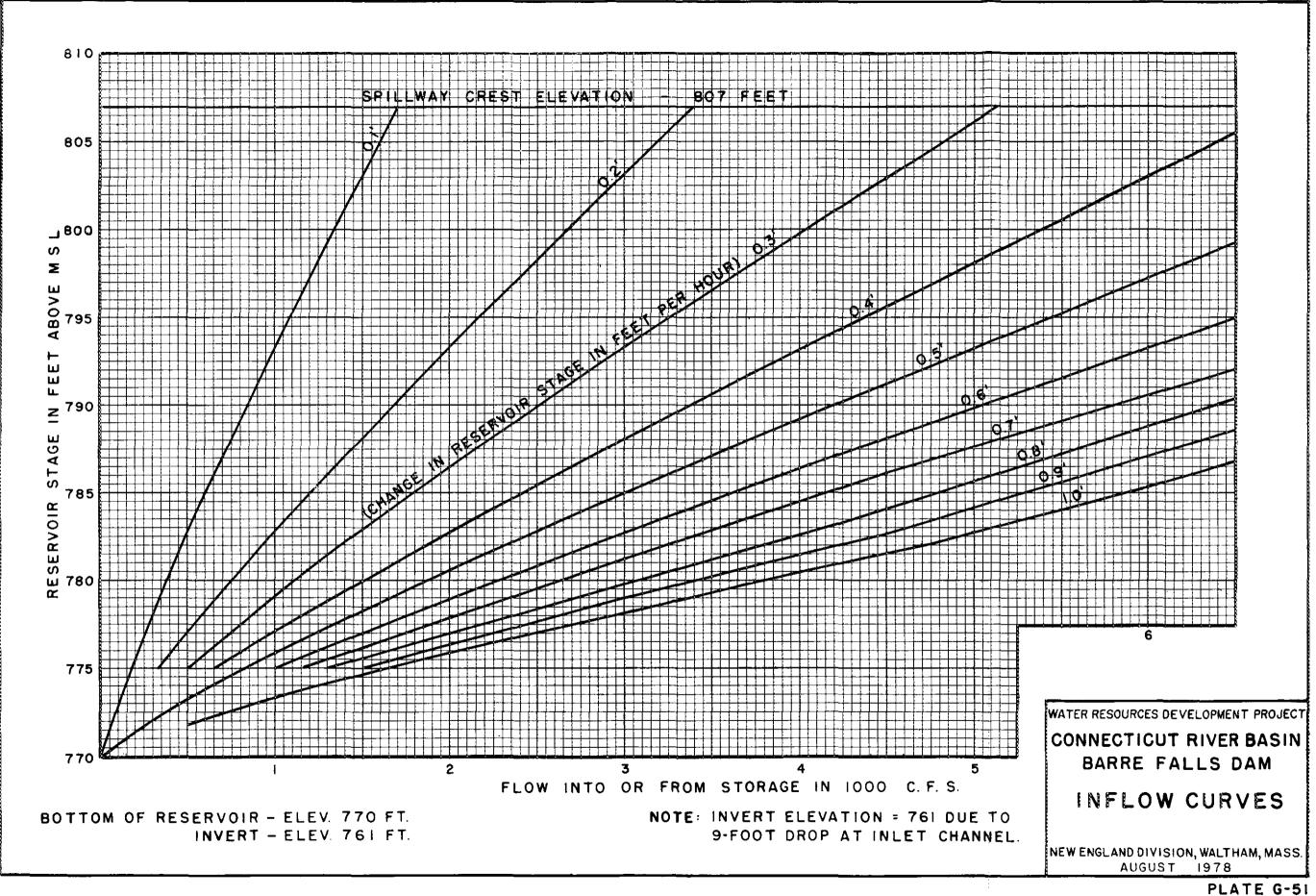
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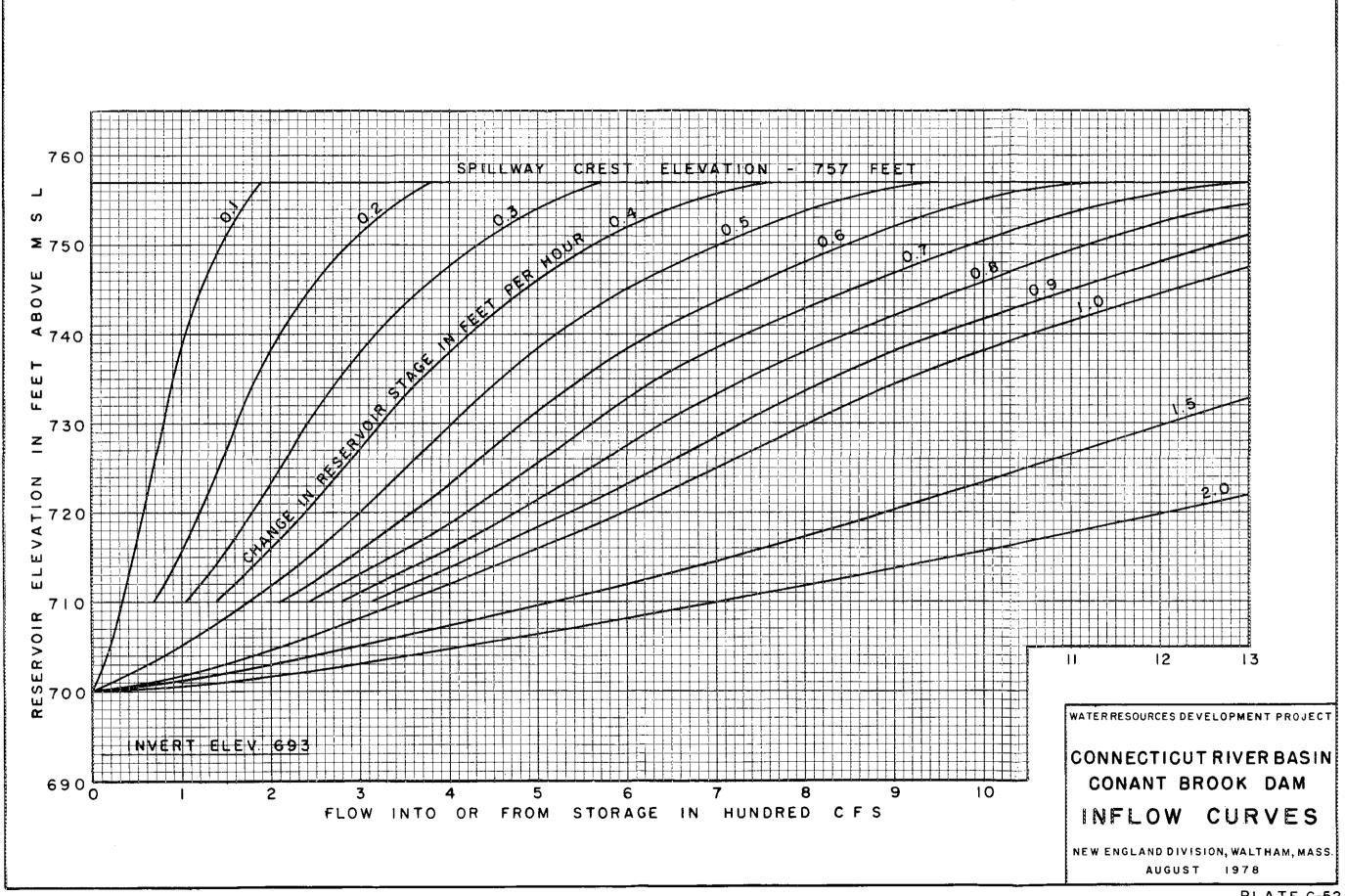
## RESERVOIR REGULATION COMPUTATION OF INFLOW

Flood of APRIL 1960

reservoir BARRE FALLS DAM By \_\_\_\_\_ Date APRIL 1960

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#### **GATE OPERATION RECORD** Barre Falls

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#### STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE (SOP) FLOOD CONTROL REGULATION BARRE FALLS DAM

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-	STORM R. (WITHIN 24-I	HR. PERIOD)	BARF FALL	S	F	RIVER II	GE IN F	EET)		REGULATION	
PHASE	SNOW-COV'R'D	DRY	DAM RISING I			RIVER	CHICOPEE RIVER AT	CONNE RIV		GATE SETTINGS	DUTIES DURING EACH PHASE
	WET OR FRO- ZEN GROUND	GROUND	STAG FEET		COLD- BROOK (MDC INTAKE	BARRE PLAINS PIE 32 HWYBRIDGE 1 (115 SQ. MI.)		MONTAGUE CITY (USGS GAGE)	SPRING- FIELD (NWS)	BARRE FALLS DAM	
I - APPRAISAL		North 1944 T - 10 Per 1944	SUMMER	WINTER				17.000 SW.MII			FLOOD CONTROL PROJECT MANAGE
FIRST ALERT	1.0"	1.0"	776' MSL	780' MSL			. ————————————————————————————————————			2'-2'	1. COLLECT AND TRANSMIT RAINFALL AND STAGE DATA TO 2. OPERATE ACCORDING TO INSTRUCTIONS FROM RCC.
SECOND ALERT	1.5" (Or As Ins	2.0"	As Instruc	cted						-	PHASE II  1. OPERATE ACCORDING TO INSTRUCTIONS FROM RCC. 2. NOTE ALL UNUSUAL CONDITIONS AT DAM, DOWNSTREAM
NTIAL REGULATION	2.0" (Or As Inst	3.0" tructed)	As Instruc	cted		GROWING SEASON 1.5 NON-GROWING 3.5	8.0 (3450 CFS)			BOTH GATES CLOSED TO 1-FOOT GATE SETTINGS	CHANNELS AND INDEX STATIONS.  3. COLLECT AND TRANSMIT RAINFALL AND STAGE DATA AT MINIMUM 3-HOUR INTERVALS OR AS DIRECTED BY RCC.  PHASE III
I~CONTINUATION OF REGULATION	3.0" (Or As Inst	4.0" tructed)	As Instruc	cted		GROWING SEASON 2.0 NON-GROWING 4.0	IO.O (6160 CFS)	26 (68,800 CFS)	, ,	RESTRICT OUTFLOW TO MINIMUM RELEASES (O.1'-O)	1. CONTINUE PHASE II, STEP 3. 2. RECONNOITER DOWNSTREAM CHANNELS AND POTENTIAL DAMAGE AREAS. 3. REPORT TO RCC FOR FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS.
II - EMPTYING THE RESERVOIRS	STO HAS A			ING DOWNST						.IS 1000	PROJECT REGULATOR PHASE I 1. COMPILE DATA. 2. PLAN AND COORDINATE NEXT TRANSMISSION TO PROJECT
EMERGENCY OPERATION (During Communication Partial Close 11 - 11	ns Failure with RC	C) e_Closure	Notes:  1. Emptying the 2. The rate of								MANAGERS. 3. RESTRICT OUTFLOW TO MAINTAIN SAFE DOWNSTREAM CHANNEL CAPACITIES. 4. INFORM CONNECTICUT RIVER BASIN REGULATOR OF ACTI
infall in 2.0' hour Period 2.0'	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	3.0"	<ol> <li>Maximum rate</li> <li>Refer to Po</li> </ol>	e of reservoir	drawdown at b	Barre Falls s on at Barre F	hould not ex	ceed 5 feet/ oldbrook Div	24 hours. ersion is op	perating.	PHASE II  1. CONTINUE REGULATION INSTRUCTIONS TO PROJECT MANAGERS. 2. CONSULT WITH BASIN REGULATOR TO ANALYZE SEVERITY OF FLOOD.
sing Stages			6. Following is	s a list of leg	al diversion	criteria at	the Coldbroo	k Diversion:			3. COORDINATE REGULATION WITH CONNECTICUT RIVER BAS REGULATOR.

b. All flows in excess of 132 cfs from 15 Oct. to 1 Dec. with permission of the Mass. Dept. of Public Health.

d. All flows in excess of 132 cfs from 31 May to 15 June with permission of the Mass. Dept. of Public Health.

a. No Diversion is allowed between 15 June and 15 October.

c. All flows in excess of 132 cfs from 1 December to 31 May.

Barre Plains Indian Orchard

2.0' 9.0'

MONTAGUE CITY GAGE BARRE FALLS DAM COLDBROOK INTAKE WEST WARREN LPP FALLS LPP CONANT BROOK DAM SPRINGFIELD GAGE INDIAN ORCHARD GAGE LEGEND

PHASE III

1. COLLECT DATA FROM PROJECT MANAGERS.
2. CONSULT WITH CONNECTICUT RIVER BASIN REGULATOR.

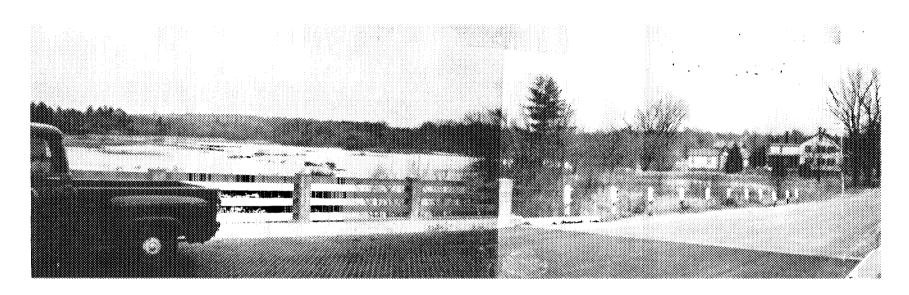
3. TRANSMIT INSTRUCTIONS TO PROJECT MANAGERS.

USGS GAGE STAFF GAGE

#### AVERAGE PEAK TRAVEL TIME

BARRE FALLS DAM TO COLDBROOK INTAKE \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_ BARRE FALLS DAM TO BARRE PLAINS \_\_\_ \_ 5-7 HOURS BARRE FALLS DAM TO THREE RIVERS \_\_\_\_\_\_ 18-20 HOURS BARRE FALLS DAM TO THE MOUTH OF THE CHICOPEE \_\_\_ 22-26 HOURS

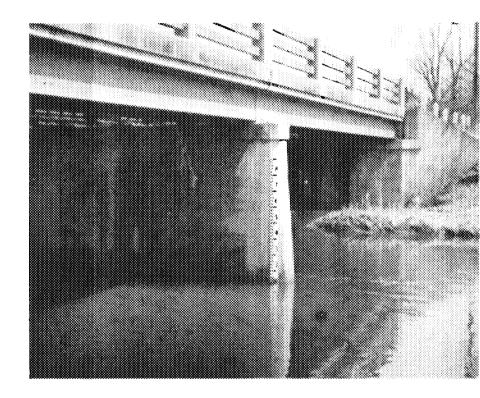
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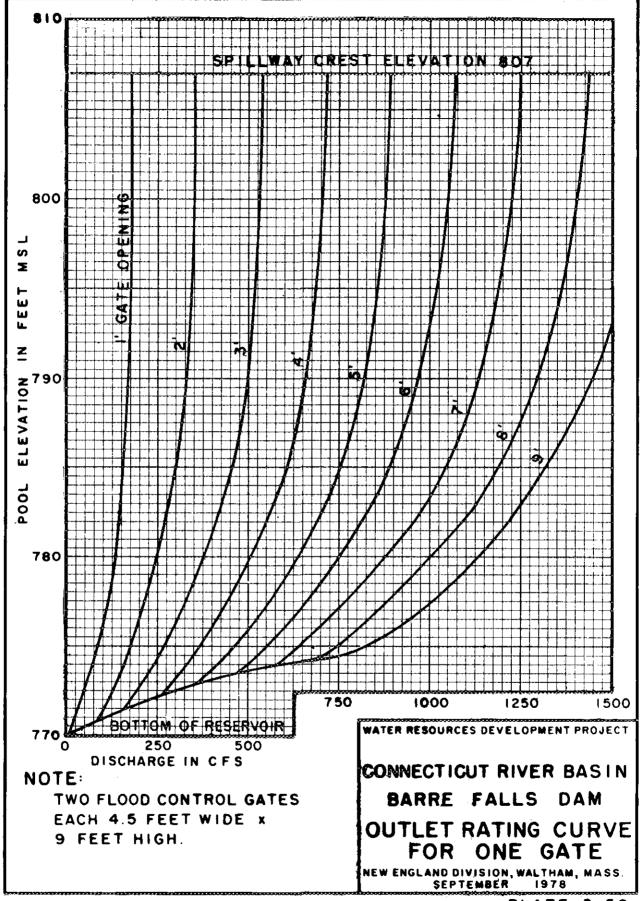
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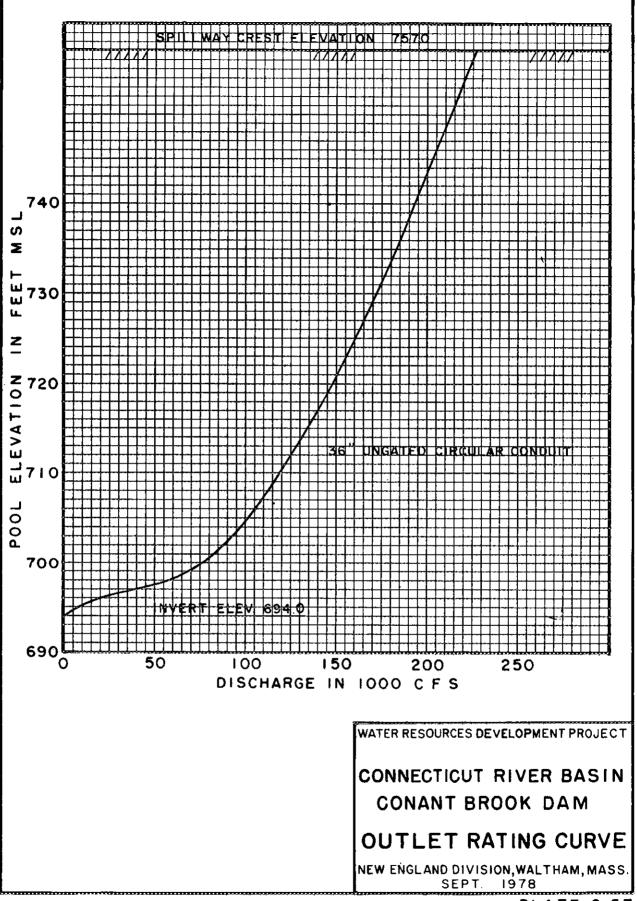


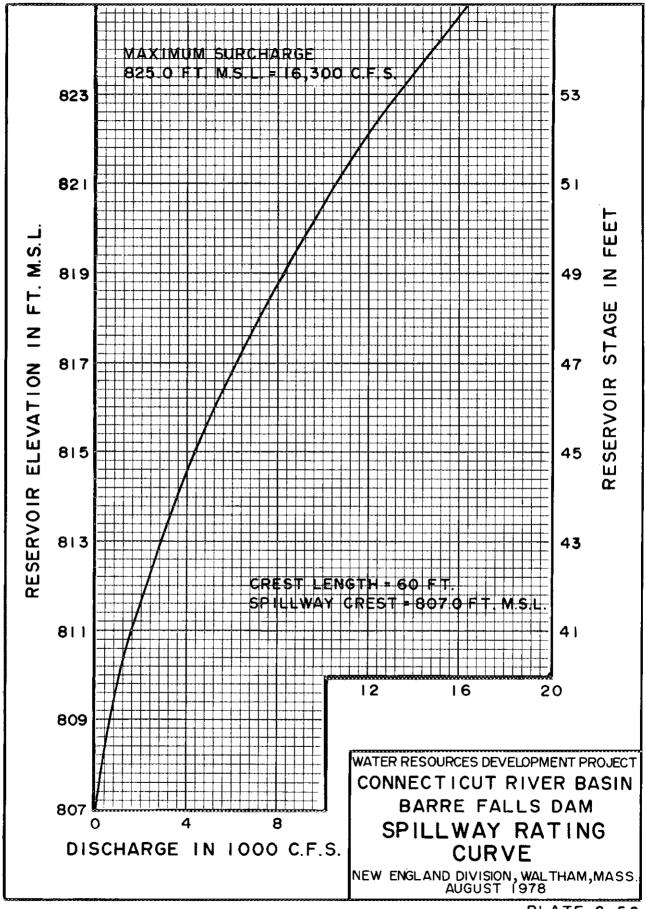
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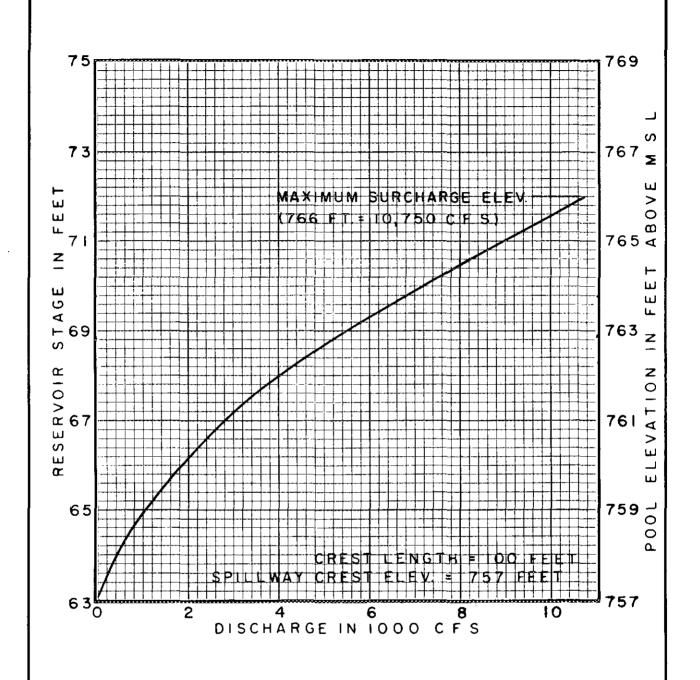


WARE RIVER AT BARRE PLAINS
STAFF GAGE









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CONNECTICUT RIVER BASIN
CONANT BROOK DAM
SPILLWAY RATING
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NEW ENGLAND DIVISION, WALTHAM, MASS. MAY 1978



VIEW OF CONANT BROOK DAM